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Dear Sheila,

Just a quick note of thanks for your help in the worship service this weekend at district conference. We did appreciate your participation.

Thanks,

Bob

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View from Marginal Way toward Ogunquit Beach.

Ogunquit, Maine

Dear Marge & Sheila,
With my new hat. I
hope there'll be some
room on that bench for
me. Thank you for
everything. With love -
Arthur

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United States 13c

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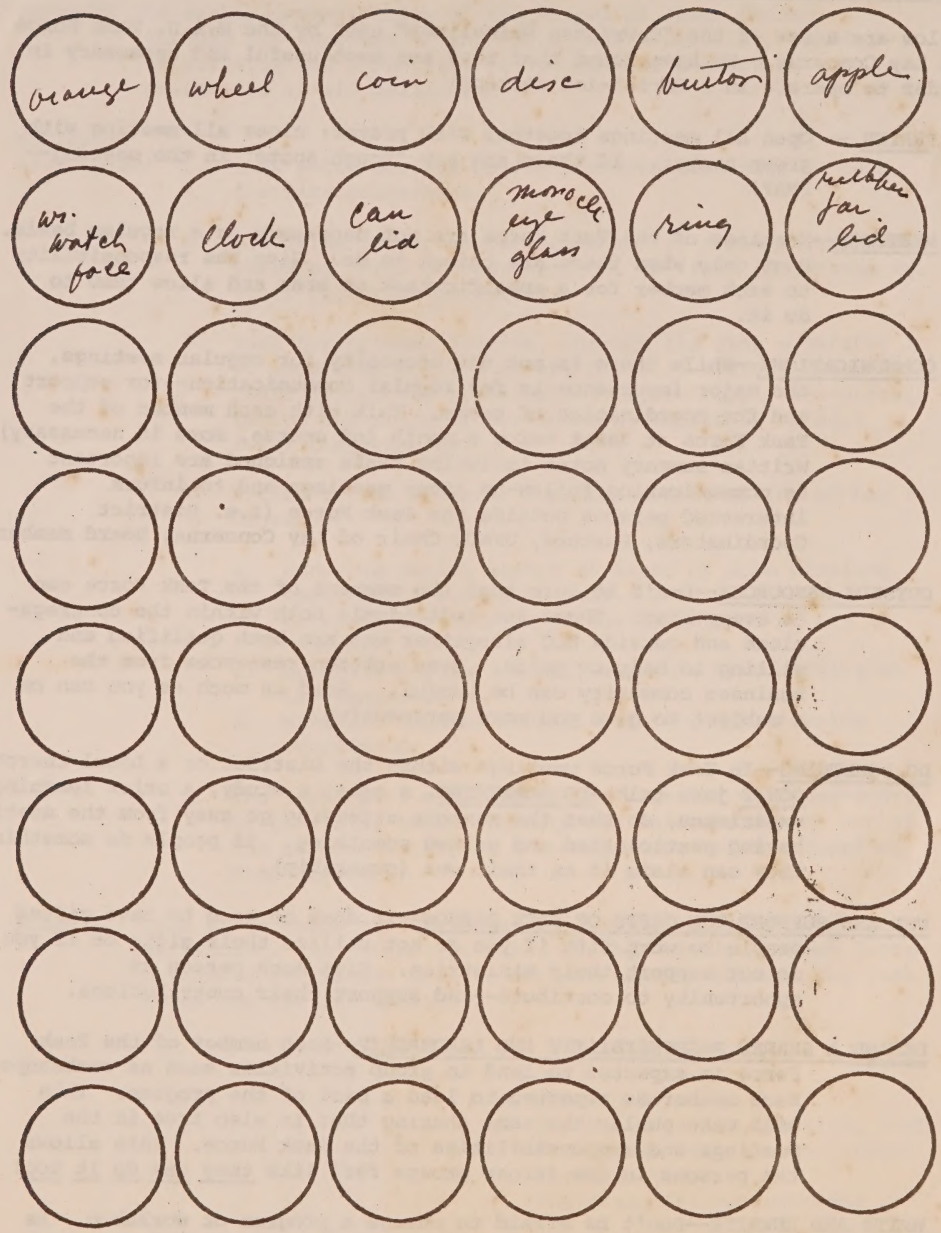
Address

Rev. Marge Ragona &
Ms. Sheila Rosenkrantz
Metropolitan Community
Church of Boston
131 Cambridge St.
Boston, Ma.

MID-ATLANTIC TASK FORCE on LAY CONCERNS



MID-ATLANTIC TASK FORCE on LAY CONCERNS

UNWRITTEN GUIDELINES of the M.A.D. TASK FORCE on LAY CONCERNS

Below are a few of the "Unwritten Guidelines" used by the M.A.D. Task Force on Lay Concerns. We have found that they are most useful and necessary in order to operate in a Christ-led setting:

PRAYER -- Open all meetings together with prayer; close all meeting with group prayer. If there are any "rough spots" in the meeting--PRAY!

MEETINGS--Meetings of the Task Force are not necessary on a regular basis. Meet only when there are things to do. Give the responsibility to each member for a specific task or area and allow them to do it.

COMMUNICATIONS--While there is not the necessity for regular meetings, the major importance is for regular communication--for support and for coordination of tasks. Talk with each member of the Task Force at least twice a month (of course, more if necessary). Written summary notes including tasks assigned are important as communication follow-up after meetings and to inform interested persons outside the Task Force (i.e. District Coordinators, Pastors, UFMCC Chair of Lay Concerns, Board members).

OUTSIDE RESOURCES--Don't be sure that the members of the Task Force can do everything. There are individuals both within the congregations and outside MCC altogether who are both qualified and willing to help or guide. Even written resources from the business community can be useful. Read as much as you can on a subject to give you more perspective.

DO SOMETHING--In Task Force meetings within the District or a Local Church DON'T just talk--DO SOMETHING, a game, a study, a brief learning experience, so that the persons attending go away from the meeting having participated and gained something. If people do something, they can claim it as their own (ownership).

USE AND SUPPORT THE GIFTS OF EACH PERSON--It does no good to have gifted people to work with if you do not utilize their gifts or if you do not support their ministries. Give each person an opportunity to contibute--and support their contributions.

DEMAND A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY AND LEADERSHIP--Each member of the Task Force is expected to lead in group activities such as workshops. Each member is expected to lead a part of the program. This will make public the same sharing that is also true in the meetings and responsibilities of the Task Force. This allows the persons in the larger groups feel like they can do it too!

WRITE AND REWRITE--Don't be afraid to change a program or workshop. As you work with it (or even present it once) you will find that there needs to be changes. LEARN from your experience. Even if a program worked right the first time, there will be portions that need to be modified.

MID-ATLANTIC TASK FORCE on LAY CONCERNS

Purpose: To enable communication of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the churches of the Mid-Atlantic District, UFMCC, by training and supporting lay persons as members of the priesthood of all believers.

Suggested Strategies:

1. Task force meeting and/or training workshops at each district conference.

2. Providing resources between district conferences, through whatever means are appropriate, to train laypersons in their Christian ministries.

3. Task force communication, through the vice moderator of each congregation or the clerk of a study group or their designated representatives, to supply resources, tools, and training for needs as expressed by each local congregation.

4. Duties of the district representative, Office of Lay Concerns:

   a. serve as voting member of Board of Home Missions (see UFMCC By-Laws V. C.3).
   b. Serve as chairperson of the Task Force on Lay Concerns.
   c. Maintain regular contact with the UFMCC Office of Lay Concerns.
   d. Maintain regular contact with the MAD district coordinator.

5. The Task Force will assist the district representative by providing local contacts and information for use of the representative as a voting member of the Board of Home Missions.

Budget: Task Force funds are to be generated from income through its activities. Any offerings taken during worship at Task Force-sponsored activities will be divided equally between the Task Force and the MAD treasury.

AS ADOPTED BY:
The Mid-Atlantic District, UFMCC
meeting in District Conference
May 18, 1989
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

MID-ATLANTIC TASK FORCE on LAY CONCERNS

CHRISTIAN VERSUS SECULAR IDEAS OF LEADERSHIP

	Christian	Secular
MOTIVATION	Service	Power, Prestige, Money, Etc.
ORIENTATION	People Oriented	Task Oriented
STRIVING	To Know GOD'S Will And To Act On It	For Conventional Success Values
AUTHORITY	Christian Witness (Scripture, Traditional Witness of Spirit)	Goals Of Organization, Self Goals, Boss, Etc.
METHODS	Using Christ's Example (Love, Humility, Positive Reinforcement, Prayer)	Power Struggles, Punishment, Using People

IDEAS FOR THE FUTURE

Below, these "Ideas for the Future" for the Mid-Atlantic Task Force on Lay Concerns were received in a brainstorming session at the May Mid-Atlantic District Conference:

WORKSHOPS:

- Witnessing and Personal Evangelism (to be done in MCC DC this Fall; for the District this Winter)
- Conflict Resolution
- Alienation/Exclusion in MCC
- Development of Leadership Potentials
- Working with Volunteers
- Supporting our Clergy
- Church Administration
- Christian Authority
- Community Relations
- Peer Counselling

Development of a Lay Team for New Works
A Regional Spiritual Conference for August 1980 (in planning stages)
District Retreat
Church Member Exchange
Joint Worship Services (two or more churches)
A Surplus equipment registry to assist churches in locating used equipment
Preparation of a comprehensive bibliography for Lay Ministries
Funding Raising for the District and for New Works
District-wide social functions (i.e. trip to amusement park, resort, etc)
Trip to the Holy Lands sponsored by the Laity (this is being done by MCC DC)

TRULY BECOME THE PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS.

These are just a sampling of the many ideas that were received. Each District could come up with many more geared to the specific needs of that District. The Mid-Atlantic District Lay Rep is planning to coordinate a District newsletter with a page from each Church group, to begin publication in January.

MID-ATLANTIC TASK FORCE on LAY CONCERNS

LAY INVOLVEMENT WORKSHOP, Saturady, Feb. 17, 1979, Mid-Atlantic District, UFMCC

TASK FORCE AGENDA (for use of Task Force members)

FRIDAY

8 - 10:30 pm	Registration in Church Office, with coffee and snacks available. Hand out agendas and get names and addresses. (Jim)
8 - 10 pm	Task Force planning meeting, room 205, get acquainted with David and Gil, brief run-through (all members)
10:30 on	Phone forwarded to housing coordinator (Alan). Volunteers for late night hospitality.

SATURDAY

8 - 8:30 am	Task Force arrive early, set up Fellowship Hall.
8:30 - 9:30	Registration open in lobby of Fellowship Hall (Jim & Alan) Breakfast available. Nametags. (Eric & Bobby planning and buying food. Pastor and Assistant Pastor preparing meals).
9:00	COMMUNION in Chapel (Larry). Scott play for hymns. Focus on gifts we each give to the Church. Scripture: I corinthians 12:1-13.
9:30	INTRODUCTION (Jennie). Pass out packets. Mention bibliography. Church Body Book and literature display at front of hall. Present purpose and agenda of workship, especially planning steps and group process. Point out evaluation form, handouts. PURPOSE: "TO PROVIDE TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES FOR THE OVERALL GROUP PLANNING PROCESS, WITH EMPHASIS ON GROUP DYNAMICS AND ENABLING COMMITMENT." Describe UFMCC Office of Lay Concerns, origins of workshop and Task Force; ameteur status stressed. Introduce Task Force members, with each of us sharing a gift we give to the Church.
9:45	GROUP SHARING (Jennie). Count off into small groups of 5 each (about 7 with 38 people total). Ask each group to share what gifts each gives to the church (15 min).
10:00	SIMULATION GAME (Farley). In small groups, Five Squares Game (see packet). Group discussion of process.
11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:15	PURPOSE: THE OVERALL PURPOSE OF AN MCC (Jennie). Each group write a 1-sentence definition of the purpose of an MCC and write on butcher paper (15 min). Each group share purpose briefly with all. Discuss process of deciding which person would share the purpose with the entire workshop, and that persons' function in the group (45 min).
NOON	Lunch (in Fellowship Hall--soup and sandqiches). Hymn-singing.

1:00 pm — GOAL-SETTING: ACTION GOAL YOU ARE AIMING TOWARD THAT WILL JUSTIFY YOUR PURPOSE (Scott). Present action goal-setting handout in packet. Each group choose one goal, write and share with all. Discuss basic criteria from 2 or 3 groups, with focus on process (45 min).

1:45 — ROLE PLAY (Farley and Scott). Distribute handout to all. Farley work with participants to orient them, while Scott summarizes skills (5 min). 10-15 min for roleplay itself. Half hour for feedback, focusing on process, especially leadership, involvement. Brief presentations on Christian leadership to conclude: Christian vs. Secular (Ravi), leadership styles (Scott), Group Spirit (Jennie) (See packet) 10 min.

2:45 — Break

3:00 — STRATEGIES: REVIEW VARIOUS PLANS TO ACHIEVE THE GOAL AND DECIDE ON THOSE PLAN/PLANS THAT ARE FEASIBLE GIVEN THE RESOURCES OF YOUR CHURCH AND THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT EXIST (Ravi). Each group brainstorm as a group, then choose one or two best strategies for implementing a goal and state program for this. Feedback focus on process, decision-making (45 min).

3:45 — PROGRAM PLANNING AND EVALUATION: DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE METHOD THAT WILL BE USED AND THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO TRANSLATE THE ABOVE PLAN INTO ACTION and DECIDING ON THE CRITERIA AND MEANS THAT WILL BE USED TO EVALUATE THE SUCCESS/FAILURE OF YOUR PROGRAM (Ravi). Discuss packet materails. For evaluation, each person list questions to ask, then compare in small groups. Point out different techniques relation to clarifying purpose and goal. Using planning checklist, plan a district newsletter.

4:15 — (if necessary) PRUI (group feeling exercise)(David). to loosen up if needed.

5:00 — SHARING FEEDBACK (Gil & Jennie) Task Force members give evaluations of the day, with reactions from participants. Bring out common concerns and themes of the day. Apply these is May District Conference.

5:30 — BREAK (with hymn-singing)

6:00 — Dinner (beef stew)

7:30 — WORSHIP (Larry). Chapel service format, homily on 1 Corinthians 12 Focus on sharing gifts, offering goes to District. Scott on piano.

8:30 - 10 — COFFEEHOUSE (Eric and Bobby).

SUNDAY

12 - 2 — Task Force brunch and "debriefing"

2:45 — MCC DC SUNDAY WORSHIP

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE MID-ATLANTIC TASK FORCE on LAY CONCERNS or the PROJECTS of the TASK FORCE, please feel free to contact:

Alan Fox
M.A.D. Lay Representative
c/o MCC DC
945 "G" Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

How to Survive the Loss of a Love

Melba Cosgrove (Rap topic)

Whole Lay Ministry Catalog

Kuhn

Episcopal Church (check out)

Task Force

New Games Book (use)

Between Parent & Child (book)

UNIVERSAL FELLOWSHIP OF METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCHES

5300 Santa Monica Boulevard, Suite 304, Los Angeles, California 90029 (213) 464-5100

May 15, 1981

TO: District Coordinators & Lay Representatives + OTHERS!

FROM: Clerk, Board of Elders

RE: Keeping In Touch

I am presently trying to evaluate our monthly one-page news bulletin from the Fellowship Offices, and I need your help. Please fill out this sheet and return it to me ASAP. Thanks.

1. What do you like best about "Keeping In Touch"?

2. What do you like least?

3. What is your feeling about posting the "top" 20 tithers, both in amount and per capita giving?

4. What do you feel about including Board of Elders actions update?

5. What about the announcement of new groups, congregations, etc.?

6. What about ads for new materials or supplies available from Church Services, U.F.M.C.C. offices?

7. What other kinds of information would be valuable for our local congregations in "Keeping In Touch"?

8. Any suggestions as to format or design?

Thank you! Please share this with others who might be interested in giving feedback.

Grace & Peace,

Nancy Wilson

Reverend Elder Nancy Wilson
Clerk, Board of Elders

NW/fkz P.S. USE THE REVERSE SIDE IF NEEDED NW

A NEW MINISTRY

A WORKSHOP SPONSORED BY THE SOUTHWEST DISTRICT TO STIMULATE THE GROWTH OF LAY MINISTRY. AT THIS WORKSHOP YOU WILL:

EVALUATE the new model for ministry to be presented by the Government Structures and Systems Commission at the Houston General Conference, 1981

EXPLORE the scriptural basis for the lay ministry

DISCOVER ways to promote optimistic lay involvement in your local church

THIS WORKSHOP IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED FOR CHURCH STAFF, DELEGATES, AND OTHER INTERESTED CHURCH MEMBERS

DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1980
TIME: 9:30 AM TO 5:00 PM
LOCATION: Metropolitan Community Church
1050 South Hill Street
Downtown Los Angeles
(213) 748-0121

LUNCH IS ON YOUR OWN. THERE WILL BE NO CHARGE FOR THE WORKSHOP. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT LARRY RODRIGUEZ THROUGH THE ABOVE LOCAL CHURCH.

WHEREAS, the uncertainty of the availability of sufficient funds to ensure Social Security remaining a dependable base for retirement continues to grow, and

WHEREAS, gay persons do not have the same rights as others in traditional retirement settings (such as the availability of such facilities to their life mates), and

WHEREA$, provisions should be made for theSouthwest District to establish a center for our retired and physically infirm to live out their lives in an atmosphere of love and concerned care, and

WHEREAS, such a facility will be available for all persons in the Fellowship to conduct retreats, district conferences and meetings, and to call upon the resources of the knowledge and experience of our older pastors and others to provide mutual support and growth for all, and

WHEREAS,if we are ever to purchase real estate for these purposes to fill our growing needs we must act with all deliberate speed, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a committee of seven, including one elder and a chairperson to be appointed by the District Coordinator, make a feasability study of the purchase of a suitable piece of real estate, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Southwest District vote on purchasing such a property at the earliest possible time.

Shall we call it
"Radclyffe Hall?"
and surround it by
the Oscar Wilde's.

Feb 15th
Santa Ana,
11 AM.

OASIS

Metropolitan Community Church
p.o. box 10272
phoenix, az. 85064

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT CONFERENCE AGENDA

" IF YOU BUT TRUST IN GOD TO GUIDE YOU ... IN FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND ORDER. (based on John 16:13)

November 21, 22, and 23 of 1980

All activities will be at the Los Olivos Hotel, 202 E. Mc Dowell, Phoenix except the Sunday night service which will be held at Danforth Chapel, A.S.U.

Friday, November 21

8-12am	Registration	Phoenician Room
12-1pm	Lunch	
1-4pm	Board of Home Missions	Phoenician Room
1-5pm	Registration	Hospitality Room
5-6pm	Dinner (suggest: Hotel or Spagetti Co. south on Central)	
6-11pm	Registration, table games coffee and non-alcoholic punch	Phoenician Room
	Or a chance to visit the bars or hotel lounge.	
11pm-7am Sat.	Registration-- Hospitality Room closed for breakfast 7-8am	

Saturday, November 22

8-9am	Registration	Hospitality Room
9-10am	Worship Service Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson	Fiesta Room
10am-12	Registration	Hospitality Room
	Faith, Fellowship & Order Workshop	Phoenician Room
	District Choir	Fiesta Room
	Lay Concerns Workshop	Garden Room
	Budget Committee	Coffee Shop
	Nominations Committee	Coffee Shop
	Innovative Ministry--Retirement Center--	Palm Room
12-1:30 pm	Lunch	
1:30-5:30 pm	Business Meeting	Fiesta Room
1:30-3:30 pm	Innovative Ministry Drugs & Alcohol	Palm Room
1:30-5:30 pm	Chance to visit local points of interest?	
5:30-7pm	Dinner	
7-9pm?	Worship Service Rev. Elder Troy Perry Fiesta Room	
9-11pm	EXCEL Reunion Phoenician Room	

A chance to visit the local bars. (map in packet) or Hotel lounge.
*** NOTE: the bars close at 1am

Rev. Kay Palin (602) 279-5878

Sunday, November 23

9-11am	Worship Service	Special Lay Involvement Fiesta Room
11-1pm	Brunch/Lunch	Recommend: Taylors, Sambo's, hotel coffee shop or Spagetti Co.
1-2:30 pm	Informal rap group	"UFMCC: Congregational Family or Hierarchical Authority?" Fiesta Room
2:30-2:45pm	Break	
2:45-4pm	Informal Rap Group	"Christian Love... is it possible? Why are people afraid of it?
4-5:30pm	Dinner	
6-8pm	Worship Service	Rev. Louis de Spain Danforth Chapel A.S.U. Campus , Tempe (see map in packet)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS we, the members of Metropolitan Community Church of Greater Providence, feel the need for the Northeast District to pray together and to worship together so as to experience the diversity of our worship experiences and share in the joy of worshipping together;

WHEREAS one of the aims of district conferences is to bring members together to renew their spiritual life; and

WHEREAS, as presently scheduled, we feel district conferences fail to meet this spiritual goal adequately,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Northeast District will schedule a worship service on Friday evening, Saturday morning and Saturday evening at all future district conferences and that Communion be available on Sunday morning at all future district conferences.

Actions of Board

Worcester - Fit as SG, and applying to be stepped back. (4 active members, 6+3 involved.) Since Feb. '81. Connie DiCenzo, W.C. Passed.

Brooklyn - 3 active members - all 3 committed to tithes of money & time. Gone through struggle & strain. Been in this state 6 mos. In July 28 on roll + cleaned rolls down to 9. Church lost charter in July. Brought back to mission when asked Elders to take charter. Not at mission status. Passed. Pat Baumgartner will assume responsibility. Not licensed. Student clergy since Dec. Trans. to Bklyn. Passed.

Buffalo - 15 signatures. Buff Fisher sad because not here. Proud abt. signatures. Appt. Buff W.C. Passed - 1 abst.

Co-Coordinator -

May Conf. - Trog would like to come + visit District, April 30, May 1-2. Wants to be at D.C. but our decision. To be voted Sun. A.M.

Exams - Call Larry Ulrich - to consult.

Budget – coming up at business meeting

GSS – Scheduled June – July, Dallas. travel for Lay rep ↑
DC responsibility of district.

Boston —
Conf. $1500 — work of race relations.

Shelley — Sabbatical — not well physically.

Portland — Nothing to report, Bob Broussard moved up. Continue until May + then decide whether to close.
Providence — 25th ord. of Paul Gillespie funding committee. Will be preaching for Prov. caribou, Me.
Boston — New Pastor Stearns.
Hartford — Pastoral intern, good stuff going on. Mayer invited him to cand. for policy advisory bd.
New Haven — Growing, moving along.
W. & C. — O.K. — May lose space, city to make condos. 3x in 3 yrs.
Harlem — Real good. Great expectations. 15 a Sunday.
Rev. James Tinney — Black Hist. Month. Joint service ē N.Y. (4 student clergy), choir, kids' day 1x/mo.
Schomburg collection — Black History Resource. Reunion in the Black. Comb. resources ē 3rd world lesb. + gays in Harlem. Fund raising. Dialogue ē Black Churches in Harlem — afternoon seminar — black leaders of churches, black lesb + gays at MCC Harlem. Challenge Black church to commitment on human rights re homophobia, rights, etc.

Get out of low profile. Student clergy. Pot lucks. preaching for NEC N.Y. - BWMT. Need for pulpits for black students to practice in. Strong church, God + X identified.
Brooklyn GCC - Has not closed. Prayer etc. to keep it open. Space problem - 4/1 leaving Meeting in Lent + Pat Baumgartner's apt. Bklyn to return to S.G.
Albany - Two new members by transfer. Finance. current + banging in.
Worcester - 4 active. 6 ad. 3 child. WC children. going back to S.G. Will begin to grow again.
Rochester - Alive, well, under snow. Has hurt level of participation. Work to be done. Helpful. Estab. of campus min. at U.R. Genesee area campus min. negotiations.
Syracuse - 5th annis. Stick there. Finance. solvent. Raised rent voluntarily. Neighbor of Rochester, Jan. was disastrous -10°. Heated by fireplace. Attendance been very high. Leadership search. Two pastors ex neg. response. New list to approach. He'll close one 4th Sat of April at W.C. - looking for pastor. Not lost potential but ~~not~~ some enthusiasm.
Buffalo - Petition for S.G. status. Due to money + illness not here.
Hispana -

November 10, 1982

Carole A. Dees
101 East Valentine St
Westbrook, Maine 04092

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I thought that I would write and thank you for your vote of confidence in electing me as Acting Co-District Coordinator. For those of you who don't know me, I've been involved in the district since 1974. I worked in the Worcester church for six years in various positions. The last two years, I've been in Portland, Maine working on a feasibility study group. Though I took this position as a lay person, I will be candidating for a student clergy position and hopefully will be student clergy by the next conference.

Since I've been in Portland, one thing I've become painfully aware of is the lack of communication between the churches. The only time, it seems, that you find out how other churches are doing is at District Conference. George and I have started to talk about a monthly district newsletter. Other people in the district have also mentioned the same thing. So hopefully in the near future there will be some form of communication to help us keep in touch.

For those of you who did not recieve my address:

Carole A. Dees
101 East Valentine Street
Westbrook, Maine 04092
Phone: 207-854-1353

If anyone has any questions or problems concerning the district or your church please write or call.

Yours in Christ,

Carole

February 21, 1983

Julie Benavides
Treasurer- NED
Box 583
Westbrook, Maine 04092

To: All Lay and Clergy Delegates to the NED Conference and other interested parties.

Enclosed please find copies of the NED financial reports as of February 15, 1983. As you remember the district conference has extended our fiscal year to April 15, 1983. However, since our previous budget is based on a twelve month period, I felt it would be helpful to present you with information on what would traditionally be the district's year end. At the spring district conference I will provide a report to provide the numbers of February and March, the extension period and a proposed budget for the next year.

If you have any questions concerning these reports or any ideas about the next year's budget please feel free to contact me or question me at the conference.

Some of you have asked for an update on the status of MCC Worcester's debt:

Total Owed by MCC Worcester as reported 5-82	$ 781.55
Total paid as of 2-15-83	568.92
Total remaining due	212.63

Please note that since the October district conference, only Trinity, Providence and Morningstar have contributed to the Penny Drive.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Benavides

NORTHEAST DISTRICT - UFMCC

Financial Statement

For the Period 10-16-82 to 2-15-83

Cash Balance As Of 10-16-82		$ 1,792.24
INCOME:		
Income from Tithes	$ 1359.89	
Income from Conference	203.11	
Designated Offerings:		
Mile of Pennies (WORC.)	335.80	
Escrow Account	200.00	
Returned from Lay Concern Purchase	2.50	
(1) Outstanding check adjustment	28.53	
TOTAL INCOME		2,129.83
EXPENSE:		
Travel	828.60	
Telephone	250.82	
Lay concerns	58.98	
Printing and Postage	12.00	
(2) General Conference	150.00	
MCC Worcester Debt	335.80	
(3) Escrow Disbursement	250.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE		1,886.20
Cash Balance as of 2-15-83		$ 2,035.87

BALANCE BY FUND

Working Fund	682.60
General Conference Reserve Fund	450.00
Escrow	754.22
Women's Task Force	149.05
Designated	.00
	$2,035.87

Notes:

(1) Outstanding check to New York Telephone Co. has been outstanding for over one year and I have not gotten any response from them concerning the check. Therefore I feel it is safe to add this amount back into the working fund.

(2) General Conference expense is expenses to register lay rep. Note that General Conference reserve has been reduced by this amount.

(3) Escrow disbursement was to Worcester Mile of Pennies.

TITHES NOT RECIEVED BY 2-15-82

Boston	May 1982 to Jan. 1983
Hartford	Oct. to Jan.
Albany	Sept. to Jan
Rochester	Oct. to Jan.

NORTHEAST DISTRICT - UFMCC

WORKING FUND STATEMENT For

The Period 2-16-82 to 2-15-83

	ACTUAL	1982 BUDGET
INCOME:		
Tithes	$3,306.01	$2,800.00
Conferences	576.62	1,900.00
Misc.	31.03	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	3,913.66	4,700.00
EXPENSES:		
Specialized Ministries	0.00	100.00
Telephone	461.16	1,000.00
Travel	2,055.40	2,000.00
Printing and Postage	27.00	250.00
Lay Concerns	78.70	150.00
Bank Charges	0.00	40.00
General Conference	150.00	600.00
Race Relations	500.00	500.00
Misc.	0.00	60.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,272.26	4,700.00
Net increase to Working Fund:	$ 641.40	$ 0.00

Note: Working Fund Income equals 80% of tithes and offerings
Remainder of anticipated General Conference Expenses, $450.00, will be set aside in a reserve account.

Lay Delegate

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(1) Outstanding check to New York Telephone Co. has been outstanding for over one year and I have not gotten any response from them concerning the check. Therefore I feel it is safe to add this amount back into the working fund.

(2) General Conference expense is expenses to register lay rep. Note that General Conference reserve has been reduced by this amount.

(3) Escrow disbursement was to Worcester Mile of Pennies.

TITHES NOT RECIEVED BY 2-15-82

Boston	May 1982 to Jan. 1983
Hartford	Oct. to Jan.
Albany	Sept. to Jan
Rochester	Oct. to Jan.

NORTHEAST DISTRICT - UFMCC

WORKING FUND STATEMENT For

The Period 2-16-82 to 2-15-83

	ACTUAL	1982 BUDGET
INCOME:		
Tithes	$3,306.01	$2,800.00
Conferences	576.62	1,900.00
Misc.	31.03	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	3,913.66	4,700.00
EXPENSES:		
Specialized Ministries	0.00	100.00
Telephone	461.16	1,000.00
Travel	2,055.40	2,000.00
Printing and Postage	27.00	250.00
Lay Concerns	78.70	150.00
Bank Charges	0.00	40.00
General Conference	150.00	600.00
Race Relations	500.00	500.00
Misc.	0.00	60.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,272.26	4,700.00
Net increase to Working Fund:	$ 641.40	$ 0.00

Note: Working Fund Income equals 80% of tithes and offerings
Remainder of anticipated General Conference Expenses, $450.00, will be set aside in a reserve account.

Margie

SOUTH ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONFERENCE

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____ SPOUSE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: ( ) _____ HOME CHURCH: _____

PLEASE CHECK ONE: ___ Pastor/Worship Coordinator ___ District Officer
___ Clergy in Residence ___ Attendee
___ Delegate

CONFERENCE FEE IS $3.00 PER PERSON - includes continental breakfast & lunch

MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO MCC ATLANTA Enclosed is $ _____

TRAVEL PLANS:

___ Car Arrival date: _____ Time: _____
Departure date: _____ Time: _____

___ Bus Carrier: _____
Arrival date: _____ Time: _____
Departure date: _____ Time: _____

___ Plane Carrier: _____ Flight # _____
Arrival date: _____ Time: _____
Carrier: _____ Flight # _____
Departure date: _____ Time: _____

CHURCH SPONSORED HOUSING REQUEST:

___ yes ___ no

___ smoking OK ___ non smoking

___ special needs: _____

_____

TRAVEL CONSULTANT:

Those wishing to make travel reservations, lodging reservations, and car rental reservations,

CALL TOLL FREE: Loyal Charles, Travel Consultant
Intercontinental Travel, Inc.
800 238-1927 during regular business hours

SEND REGISTRATION FORM AND MONEY ORDER/CHECK TO:

Conference Registration, PO Box 8356, Atlanta, Georgia 30306

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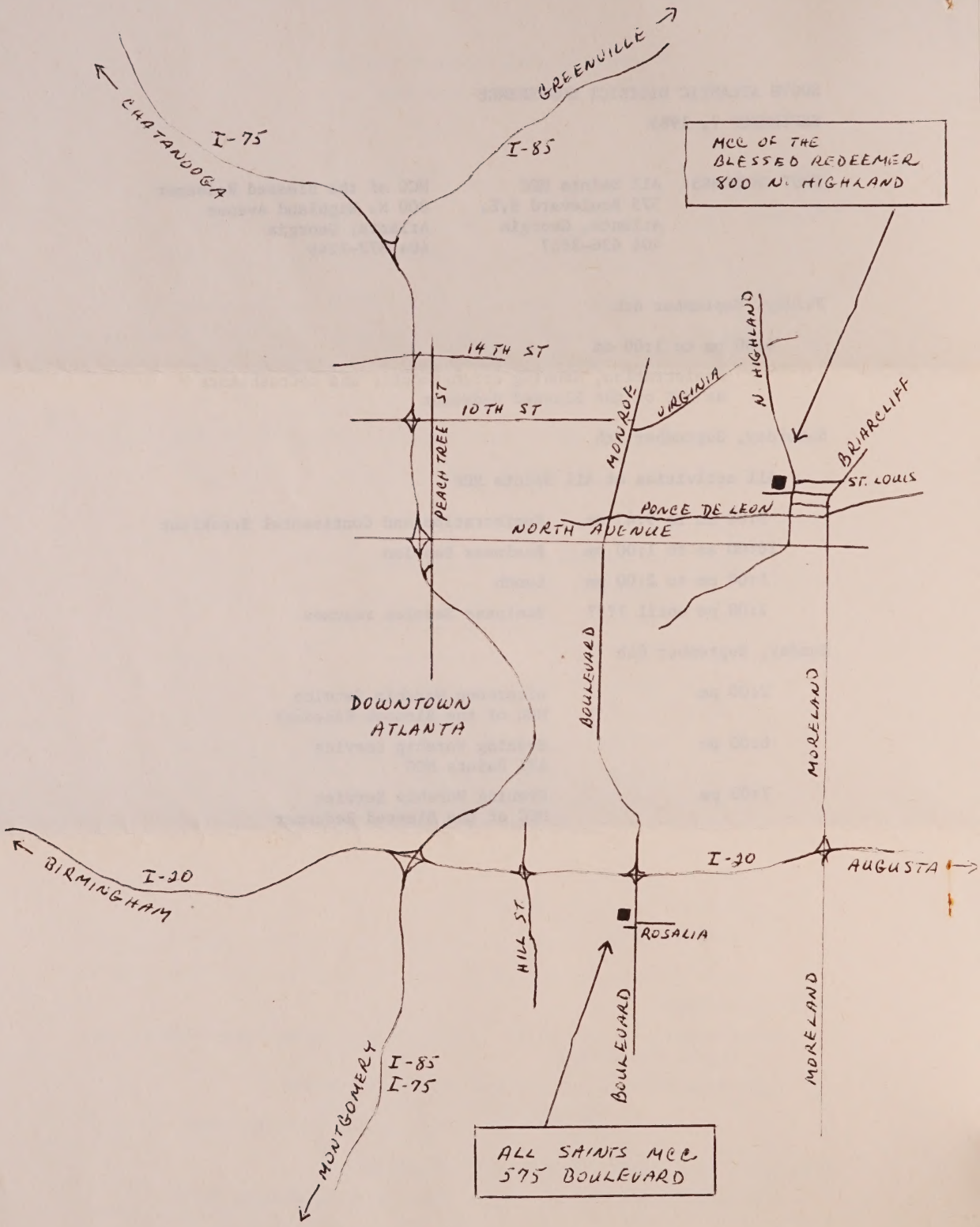
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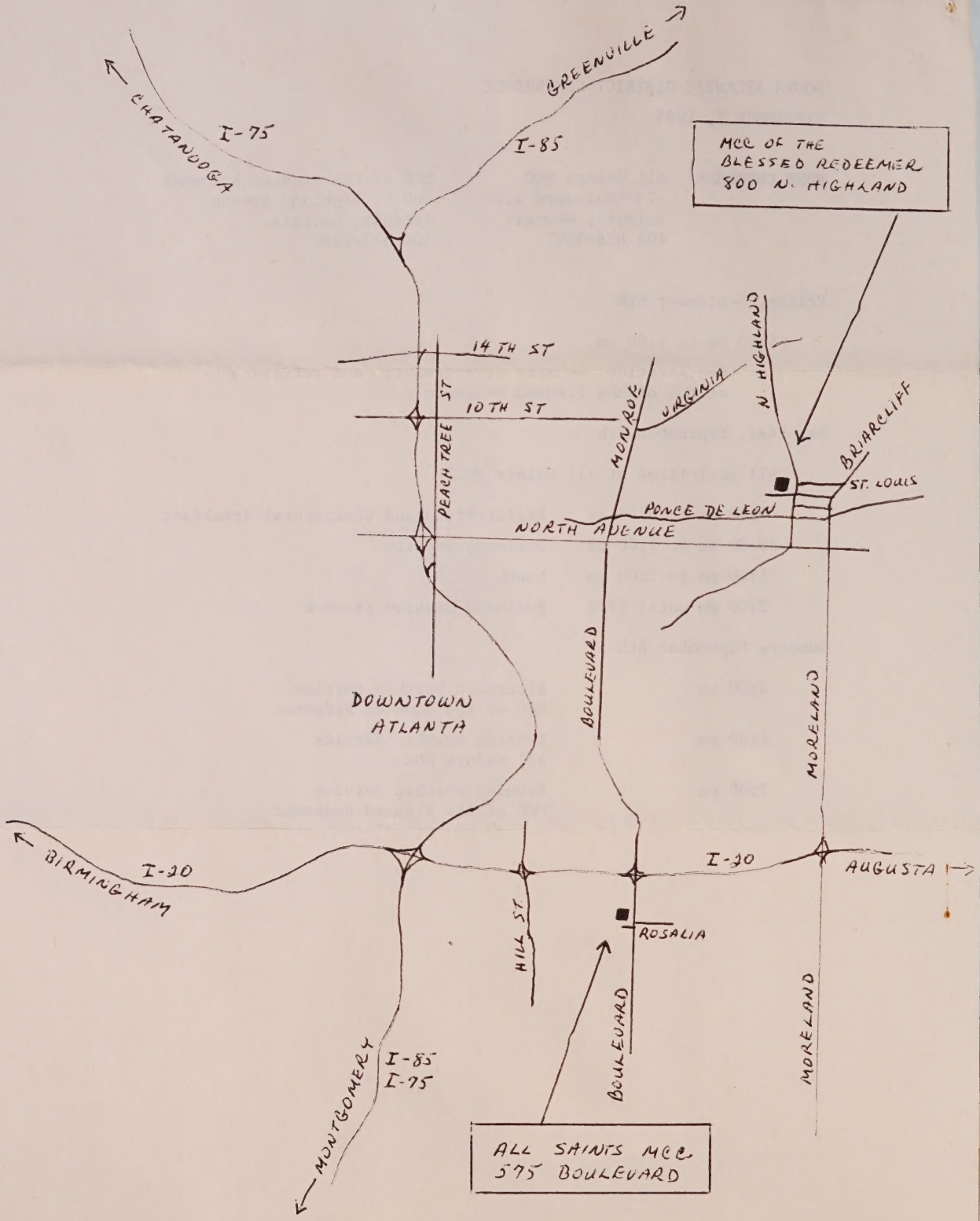
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The SOUTH ATLANTIC DISTRICT of
the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches
131 Fifteenth Avenue North Nashville, TN 37203
Gilbert H Lincoln, District Coordinator 615: 646 - 9255

19 August 1985

Dear Friends

By now you will have had information from our host Churches, Blessed Redeemer and All Saints, Atlanta, about registration, housing (if needed), and basic scheduling for our September seventh resumption of the April District Conference.

With this TJ Burnham, Treasurer, sends much valuable information about the District's finances, and he has a proposal to offer concerning Budget making. I hope you'll give your best attention and thought to TJ's report and work.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU BRING THIS FINANCIAL INFORMATION PACKET WITH YOU TO ATLANTA! Each Pastor, Worship Coordinator, and Delegate will need to have it to hand. There will NOT be extra copies available.

As to the DOCKET of the meeting, June called to tell me that General Conference amended out the GSS proposal that another elected office-bearer could represent the District in case the District Coordinator could not attend..

1.) after convening the meeting with prayer, TJ will be recognised to present his report.
2.) any proposal from him will be put to vote; and any other motion relating to the financial report or to budget making will be put to vote
3.) I will resign as District Coordinator to clear the way for election of a person to represent S.A.D. at General Conference and to fill the unexpired term til the November Conference at Charlotte when our S.C.P.s call for election.
4.) I will move -- if recognised to do so -- the creation of a District Nominations Committee to report to the November Conference with nominees to fill offices and to constitute the District Committee.
5.) Any other, new, or unfinished business may be brought up to be dealt with prior to adjournment.

This DOCKET may be amended, of course, by necessity or by motion. Until adopted, it's only a guide-line.

+ Gil

CHURCH	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	SEPT thru DEC'84	TOTALS	$25.00 conference donation
Nashville	66.55	70.94	121.80	79.08	71.50	117.40	76.49	303.60	907.36	*
Memphis	16.52	22.24	25.48	19.65	24.50	27.75	23.98	102.32	262.44	
Knoxville	11.32	26.49	39.14	31.85	40.16	31.49	39.72	46.41	266.58	
Tri Cities	8.75	13.87	13.50	9.53	11.95	17.37	10.50	50.11	135.58	*
Blessed Redeemer	39.73	39.74	44.07	51.38	45.81	42.22	30.27	213.85	476.80	
All Saints	32.93	35.25	46.04	57.38	93.97	69.11	92.69	216.00	643.37	*
Jackson	23.88	20.51	23.10	12.81	13.57	17.60	15.63	94.94	222.04	
Birmingham	80.36	49.10	59.23	41.05	55.72	48.70	48.46	268.90	651.52	*
Montgomery	30.11	23.91	37.48					147.07	238.57	
Mobile	N/A	4.70	11.62	5.29	4.90	10.48	10.10	N/A	47.09	
Raleigh	94.58	120.48	154.74	127.14	132.88	172.21	82.56	496.84	1381.43	*
Charlotte	68.29	45.57	100.60	65.18	61.37	84.07	56.99	341.32	823.39	
New Life	15.12	21.25	28.04	27.95	40.46	32.18	25.82	160.58	325.58	
Greenville	4.28	6.34	12.48	9.90	9.20	9.21	9.56	24.40	85.37	
Greensboro	32.61	53.32	64.52	58.96	50.00	83.66	56.52	185.57	585.16	*
Charleston	58.24	53.25	69.96	62.74	51.63	76.22	47.83	245.33	665.20	
Columbia	29.38	29.99						170.52	229.89	*
Hickory										
Totals	612.65	636.95	851.80	659.89	707.62	839.67	571.03	3067.76	7947.37	($175.00)

ALL FIGURES ABOVE ARE FROM RECEIPTS THROUGH AUGUST 15, 1985. The handwritten figures are not included in any of the totals throughout the report.

INCOME

Tithe's Sept '84 thru Present	$ 7947.37
Back Tithe's before Sept '84	399.44
Love Offerings	438.25
Restitution	5365.00
Conference Donations	175.00
Close-out Asheville Checking Acct	8.15
Re-imbursement Airfare	208.50
Interest on Certificate of Deposit	216.95
	$14758.66

EXPENSES

Outreach & Aid	$ 2667.62	31.7%
Conferences	1537.88	18.3%
District Coordinator Travel	1643.89	19.5%
Telephone	1125.47	13.3%
Asst. District Coordinator Travel	472.13	5.6%
Printing, Postage, Supplies	437.93	5.2%
****Transfer to Money Market	540.00	6.4%
	$ 8424.92	
Money Market Account Balance	5756.95 +27.50	
Checking Account Balance	576.79	
	$14758.66	

****The original amount of restitution was $5365.00, but only $5000.00 was put into the certificate of deposit. The $540.00 consists therefor of the remaining $365.00 plus $175.00 received for conference travel assistance.

Please notice on line 2 of the income statement that back tithes before Sept'84 were received but we also need to bring to your attention that expenses for before Sept'84 were also received by us and were approximately three times as much as the tithes received.

DUE TO THE FACT THAT TWO YEARS AGO THE DISTRICT COORDINATOR'S SALARY WAS DONATED BY AN INDIVIDUAL, AND THE FACT THAT THE SUCCEEDING DISTRICT COORDINATOR PERSONALLY DONATED PRIMARILY ALL OF HIS EXPENSES, AND FINALLY THE FACT THAT ACCURATE RECORDS OF EXPENSES FOR THE DISTRICT TREASURER OF THAT PERIOD ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO US, WE CAN ONLY BEGIN TO PREPARE SOME HOPE OF BUDGET IMPACT FIGURES BASED ONLY ON WHAT HAS TRANSPIRED SINCE WE HAVE TAKEN OVER THE POSITION AS CO-DISTRICT TREASURERS.

5756.95
27.50
5784.45

972.00

Many points need to be thought out thoroughly before we can as a District hope to plan and adopt a true working budget. We have used the time frame of August thru July for all the following information.

1. It is our hopes that each of you will study these reports before coming to Atlanta, bringing with you any questions and ideas that might help us as a District, that we can maturely discuss these in Atlanta, that we might appoint a budget committee, and that when we get to Charlotte we can adopt a working budget.

2. S.A.D. income from tithes received during the year ending was a little less than 3% more than during the previous twelve-month period. Of course if you refer to the tithe report there were 11 and are now 9 monthly tithe checks not received.

3. QUESTION: Does the S.A.D. expect an increase in the tithe income in the coming twelve months and how much of an increase in % terms?

4. QUESTION: What are each of the local churches actually going to do to increase the S.A.D. tithe income, remembering that the S.A.D. gets only 5¢ on the church $ reported?

5. QUESTION: Does the S.A.D. expect expenses to be generally in their present % proportions as reported in the Expense Statement? Or perhaps do we wish to apply more funds here and less somewhere else and what is the justification for such?

6. There will be immediate expenses following this meeting. General Council Meeting, District Committee Meetings, additional committee meetings (Nominating?, Budget?, S.O.P. UPDATE?)

7. Question: How much does the S.A.D. expect to pay its District Coordinator and for what work?

8. If we transfer funds from the Money Market Account at the rate of $200.00 per month the account will last approximately 30 months.

   If we transfer funds from the Money Market Account at the rate of $300.00 per month the account will last approximately 21 months.

   If we transfer funds from the Money Market Account at the rate of $400.00 per month the account will last approximately 15 ½ months.

   If we transfer funds from the Money Market Account at the rate of $500.00 per month the account will last approximately 12 months.

   QUESTION: How did we accumulate the money in the Money Market Account and what sacrifices did we make as a District to accumulate such and are we willing to make such sacrifices again?

9. REMEMBER: IT IS POSSIBLE TO TRANSFER MONEY FROM BOTH THE MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT AND THE CHECKING ACCOUNT TO SUBSIDISE THE DISTRICT COORDINATOR'S SALARY.

Regarding the Checking Account Only, the following table shows how much would be available for various expenses, IF the salary for the District Coordinator were at one of the four levels and IF church remittances to S.A.D. a) remain the same, b) increase by 5%, and c) increase by 10% and also IF the percentages for various expenses remain as they are on the Exxpense Statement.

If $200.00 per month were used for salary that would be 27% of our total income with results below
$300.00 41%
$400.00 54%
$500.00 68%

a: INCOME REMAINS THE SAME:

	$200.00	$300.00	$400.00	$500.00
Outreach	$168	$138	$104	$75
Conferences	97	80	60	43
D/C	103	85	64	46
Telephone	70	58	44	31
Asst D/C	30	24	18	13
Prtg,Post	27	23	17	12
Money Mkt	34	28	21	15

b:INCOME WITH A 5% INCREASE

	$200.00	$300.00	$400.00	$500.00
Outreach	$179	$144	$116	$81
Conferences	103	83	67	47
D/C	110	89	71	50
Telephone	75	60	49	34
Asst D/C	32	25	20	14
Prtg,Post	29	24	19	13
Money Mkt	36	29	23	16

c:INCOME WITH A 10% INCREASE

	$200.00	$300.00	$400.00	$500.00
Outreach	$191	$162	$128	$98
Conferences	110	93	74	57
D/C	118	99	78	60
Telephone	80	68	54	41
Asst D/C	34	29	23	17
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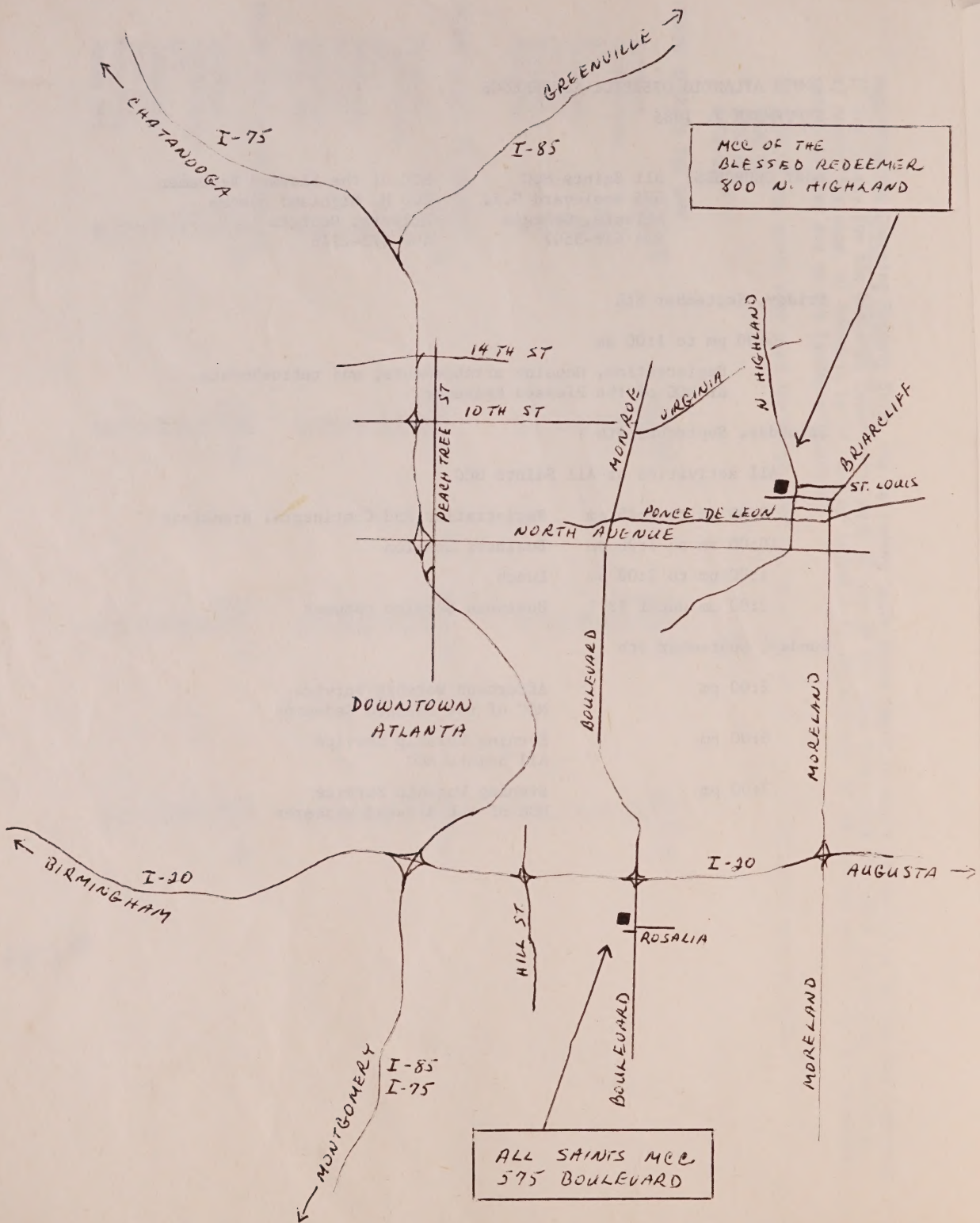
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GEORGE R. ROGAN
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ATLANTA, GA 30307

AUGUST 8, 1985

Pleas direct letters to Ms. Gail L. Fairman who is prosecuting the case with copies to Michael J. Kane the current district attorney and to Allan Rubenstein who is now an assistant district attorney and who is running for the DA's office. All are at the address on the enclosed.

Thanx again,

george

July 19, 1985

Gail L. Fairman, Esquire
Deputy District Attorney
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RE: Commonwealth vs. Bettuccio

Dear Mr. Fairman:

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In the interest of justice, for the protection of the public, and as a warning to other potential perpetrators similarly situated, I ask that your office prosecute zealously. Further, in the event a guilty verdict is reached, that you demand the harshest sentence allowable by law for 1st. Degree Murder in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my deepest concern in this matter.

Respectfully,

Jay Kelly

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AUGUST 9. 1985

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George R. Rogan

8/9/85

Dearest Marge!
I tried to call you this week, and will try again this weekend. George is my other half, and it is his sister who was killed. My next door neighbor (Papa John) suggested you might know some women who would help George with this. I hear you are well and happy. I'm proud of you!
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Jay Neely

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Rev. Jos. H. Gilbert
30 S. 21st Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103
August 31, 1985

Dear Friend,

I understand that the delegates of the South Atlantic District will be meeting this weekend to transact business which will possibly include the election of a District Coordinator. I have, for some months past, had a burden about that particular task in our Fellowship and want to take a moment to offer myself.

I am, as you may know, presently the Pastor of MCC of Philadelphia and you may properly ask why I am willing to leave here. I think there are two issues for me. The first is that my ministry as a Pastor in MCC has most often been into troubled congregations. Sometimes I have been an effective catalyst for change. Sometimes not. When I came to Philadelphia there really were no alternatives for them. Their choices were very limited. That really is no longer true. This congregation could now call upon the services of any number of effective pastors to serve here. That is not to say that it would not be pleasant for them, or me, to just settle down here but that significant things that needed doing have been done and that I can, in conscience, look at other ministries at this time.

The other is more complicated and comes out of some work done here, at my instigation, on how members' spiritual gifts can help this church grow and in particular the use of the Modified Houts Questionnaire. MCC has not really been kind to ministries except pastoring in congregations. The fact that I have, in the past, usually gone to troubled congregations indicates to me that my particular gifts do not lead specifically to be identified as 'Pastor'.

I think, in fact, that my gifts of Knowledge, Administration, Missionary (in a sense, I don't see myself leaving the United States, but there are identifiable cultures just in this one nation) and (I have come to know) Apostle are most effectively used beyond the congregation. Some of my work with FFO and CCCC has confirmed that for me and that is why I dare offer myself.

I am not sure if you are able, or plan, to suspend your district rules and elect this weekend, or if you plan to elect someone just to represent you at the first General Council. And, of course, none of us have any idea what, if anything, this first General Council may do about the boundaries or existence of the present South Atlantic District. If you were electing someone just to represent you in November at the General Council I believe it would be inappropriate for that person to be me. If you are electing someone to serve as District Coordinator for a period of years I do indeed offer myself. Except that, in fairness, I could not leave here before November 3d unless it were to use vacation time either to be with you in the District or to share in the Council.

If you are actually going to be electing your District Coordinator in the Fall then I would ask at this time that you let me know what kinds of materials you might want to see from me.

You need to know ahead of time that I have a strong interest in the empowerment of people of color, of women and of lay people. I do not in any of these cases believe that some people become more powerful at the expense of other people. But that each member of the body...by being fully her or himself...becomes a potential power source in the church and makes all of us stronger. Although I have often taken up unpopular ideas, including these, I have a passionate attachment to this Fellowship and desire to see the same thing in those around me. One of the really valuable things about the UFMCC is that we are relational and I would want to celebrate that if I came to you.

I am committed to Inclusive Language and believe that that is accomplished in what we give and not in what we take away. I believe that Jesus Christ is God-with-us and Savior, and I believe that is Inclusive Theology. I believe that the Gospel has almost no meaning chained up on pulpits but must be carried out into the streets and market-places where you and I have sisters and brothers who are literally dying because that do not know that the City of God is at hand.

Because we are still in an implimentation phase of the new By-Laws we have some time. So, if you were to call me, I would want to be part of the process which decided what the District Committee would do and be. I would want to be part of the process that decided the standards for new and special works and for voting church bodies...commissioned and chartered. I would want to be part of the process that defined District SOPs under the new By-Laws.

I do not know what you are capable of providing as income to a District Coordinator. I would be willing to serve, initially, at whatever the official poverty level for a single person would be in the city from which the DC's office should function. In Philadelphia, for instance, that figure is $600 a month. Any less than the official poverty level would really require some discussion. Whatever you are able to pay, even initially, I would expect to live on. In order to be able to visit congregations, be available for 'situations' and provide the kind of communication that can build up the body of bodies it will, in fact, be a full time occupation. If you called me I would expect you to honor a reasonable amount of Fellowship and Ecumenical work as being done on your behalf. You need to be the ones to indicate what city best serves you and that decision should be made on the basis of transportation costs and availability.

I am in a relationship that is nine years old and Michael is willing to settle with me as we are called.

Everything we do has political ramifications...even the fact that we make Eucharist together is political. However, I wanted this to be as un-political as possible and so I have waited till the last minute to send this to you. If there are better options available to you in your own district or elsewhere you need to pursue them. I only tell you that I am available, am willing and, in fact, thrilled to think I might serve you.

God is with us,

Joseph.

Joseph, your brother

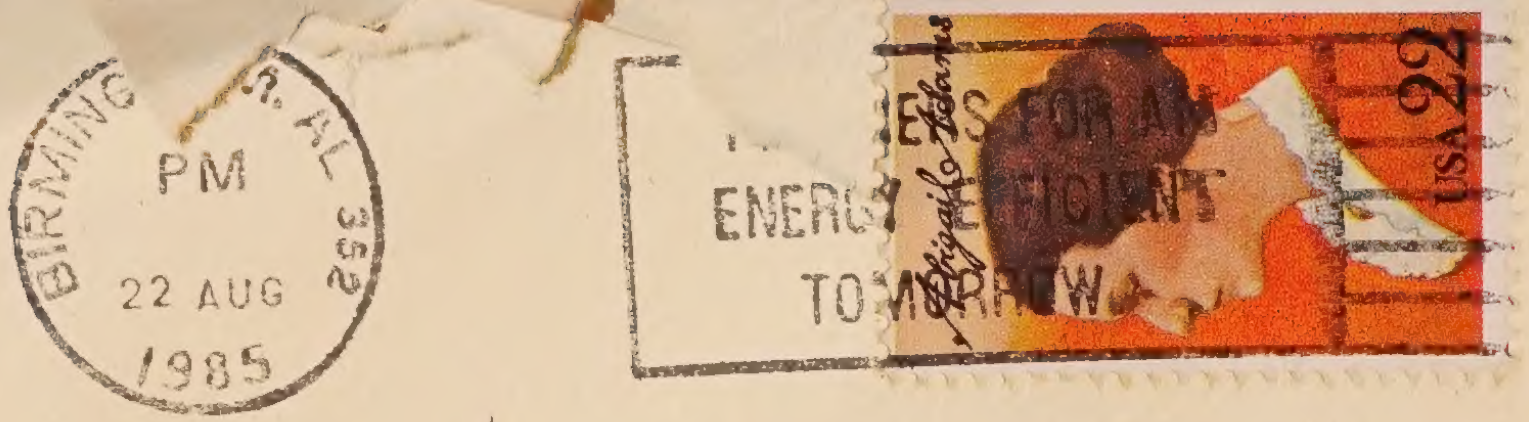
(215) 563-6601

Hi!

I see Mary from time to time and she seems well. Keep thinking she will come over to visit.

Love

J.



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METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH of CHARLOTTE

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August 28, 1985

Greetings!

Praise God for a wonderful General conference! I'm also sure that our upcoming District conferences in Atlanta and Charlotte will be just as great.

I've just received T.J.'s proposal for a budget and I would like to present another to you for your consideration. There are some differences in the line item titles, and one item "Outreach" or "Aid to Churches/Clergy" has been moved. It has not been eliminated!

I believe that the funds we have in the Money Market account need to be used to help our district churches and clergy which will subsequently help our district and our district income. Therefore, I propose that we use that money for that purpose: aid to churches and clergy. We, as a district, and especially our District Coordinators the past two years have sacrificed and given of themselves so we could have these funds. Let's not just sit on them.

The proposed budget I have attached provides a salary for a part-time District Coordinator (half time). By January 1987 we need to have a full-time District Coordinator.

I also would like to submit a couple of other suggestions. One, when a District Conference is held, the profits, if any, from the registration fees, and all the offerings from District worship services should be given to the District. The host church/es would be entitled to the offering from their regular service and any monies gained from stores, raffles, etc. If there is a loss on a District conference then it is the District's responsibility to reimburse the host/s.

Secondly, If each church would call the District Coordinator once a month, it would cost each group about $3.00. If the District Coordinator has to call each church it will cost approximately $50.00. That doesn't sound like very much money, but it adds up over the year, and there are some of our clergy and churches that could use that $50 a month.

The budget is based on expenses over the past twenty-two months and is really a barebones budget. There are many things, like the above suggestions, that we as individual churches can do to help reduce District expenses. If we all work together as we have been, we can and will have one of the best Districts in this Fellowship.

Let us all pray about our District and the changes that are coming up.

See all of you in Atlanta. This is a very important meeting for all of us so if you have any financial difficulties, please contact one of the District officers. You can call me collect if you wish or need.

In Christ's Service,

Lynn

Lynn Guerra

PROPOSED BUDGET

November 1, 1985 thru October 31, 1986

South Atlantic District

ITEM	MONTH	YEAR
D.C. TRAVEL	$150.00	$1800.00
A.D.C TRAVEL	50.00	600.00
C.R.C.	21.67	260.00
CONFERENCE (incl. travel)	70.83	850.00
TELEPHONE	73.33	880.00
POSTAGE, COPYING, SUPPLIES	35.00	420.00
MISCELLANEOUS	15.00	180.00
D.C. SALARY (half-time)	433.33	5200.00
	$849.16	$10,190.00

All Aid to Churches and clergy to come from the Money Market Account, with approval of disbursement to be made by the District Committee.

Don't forget that the District Assessment goes up to 5% on January 1, 1986!!!

Our income so far this year has been $9393.66. Projecting that out we should have approximately $11,272.39 income by the end of October (if everyone keeps up with their assessments). So this budget should be well within our reach.

St. John's Metropolitan Community Church

Box 5626 ■ Raleigh, NC 27650 ■ (919) 834-2611 ■ Reverend June Norris, Pastor

26 August 1985

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I have returned from vacation and am eagerly looking forward to seeing all of you on September 7th!

I am sure all of us are seeking God's guidance regarding the future of our District, but it has occurred to me that a "prayer chain" may be a good idea. I plan to set aside 12:30 PM each day as a time of prayer for me and wondered if y'all might want to join me?

I will be praying on EDST, which will be 11:30 AM for those who are in the central time zone. If you will join me, we can compare stories in Atlanta. (I am sure there will be some times we will need to interrupt what we are doing to pray "on time..")

I am positive we all share the excitement of the changes which took place at Conference and are anticipating spiritual and physical growth in our Fellowship, our District and our churches.

May God continue to shower each of you and your congregations with blessings. God bless & I'll see ya in Atlanta!

Your sister in Christ,

June

June Norris

SHIRLEY LAMBERT

MCC MOBILE

Gulf Lower Atlantic District
UFMCC POB 66101, Birmingham, AL 35210

April 22, 1986

BUSINESS AGENDA: (Tentative, Spring, 86)

Opening Prayer: Papa John Hose
Call to Order 10:35-38
Roll Call: 10:38-10:45
Approval of Agenda: 10:45-50
BoHM Report: 10:50-11:05
District Conference Minutes: 11:05-11:15
District Committee Report: 11:15-11:28
Treasurer's Report: 11:28-11:35
COL Report: 11:35-40

OLD BUSINESS: Asheville; 11:40-42
SOP's (first reading); 11:42-11:52
Standards (first reading); 11:52-12:04
Fall Conference Site (tentatively Columbia...); 12:04-12:06

NEW BUSINESS: Election of District Treasurer; 12:06-12:20
Church Reports (2 mins. each--36 mins.); 12:20-12:56
Leadership Retreat; 12:56-1:00

**Items presented for agenda times after March 1st deadline:
AIDS VIGIL info
COL resolution
liability insurance for pastors.

PROPOSED STANDARDS FOR CHURCHES IN THE G.L.A.D. DISTRICT

In attempting to set standards for churches within our District, the Standards Committee has reviewed those standards recommended to the Mid-Atlantic District, and several alternative proposals from members of the committee. We were unable to meet together for this project, due to circumstances beyond our control. However, recommendations were received by the chair from several of the committee members, and the following proposal represents a synthesis by the chair of that which was received.

In attempting to propose standards, several concerns have become obvious. First, the Great Commission to spread the Good News to the ends of the earth was pre-eminent. Secondly, looking to the history of the District, it became apparent that some precautionary measures were not out of order. The intent is that the needs of individual groups/people be balanced with the needs/concerns of the entire body of churches in such a way as to best meet the perceived needs/goals of both.

While some of the committee members felt that the standards of the M.A.D. District were exactly what was needed, others felt that those were far too stringent. What you are being presented with in this document is a "middle ground", as perceived by the chair.

NEW WORKS:

There are several ways in which new works develop, and it is imperative that we deal with each possibility/opportunity to add to the Realm of Love.

FIRST: The establishment of a new work **must** result from a **locally-recognized** desire for M.C.C. in the community. The days when the "powers-that-be" decided **for** a community that a new work was needed **must** end! Without established local support, such works inevitably produce **negative** results which are extremely difficult to overcome at later dates. We **must** recognize that God will move in ways to establish church bodies when the time is right - and that our time is not always God's time in such matters! Premature involvement in a community not only can result in negative feelings about M.C.C., but nearly inevitable result in negative self-images on the part of those who bravely allow themselves to be involved in the leadership of such groups.

SECOND: Those chosen for leadership positions in New Works **must** meet similar criteria to those met by leaders of established churches - the days must end when we send inexperienced/under-prepared individuals into such ventures; such leaders, while undoubtedly enthusiastic, loving, well-meaning, dedicated people are placed in positions/circumstances which can, all too often, lead to burn-out, frustration, inadvertently inaccurate representation of the goals, polity, theological stances, philosophy, etc. of the Fellowship. Hence, it is incumbent upon the District leadership to appoint well-prepared individuals as Worship Coordinators to such positions.

THIRD: In areas currently served by UFMCC congregations, the leadership of said churches must be consulted when application or indication of interest in another congregation is received from within a 35-mile radius of the existing work. If there are objections to the establishment of such a new work, the District Committee should investigate and weigh all the evidence, and consider all the possible alternatives; then it should act to approve or disapprove the application for a new work in that area. The District Committee's decision could be appealed only by the full Board of Home Missions (or its successor group) at a duly-convened meeting thereof.

FOURTH: It is recognized that each church body within the District **must** be financially responsible. While it is possible for **any** local congregation to experience

occasional, temporary cash-flow difficulties, any **chronic** tardiness in meeting obligations **must** be dealt with in a serious manner in order to assure the protection of the reputation of the U.F.M.C.C. and the G.L.A.D. It is therefore recommended that a reporting system be developed whereby the District officers are regularly apprised of any possibility of delinquent payments threatening the good name of the District/Fellowship. It is recommended that **each** church submit to the District Coordinator/other District officer a monthly summary of its financial statement, which should include income/outlay **and** any unpaid obligations. It would then be incumbent upon the District Committee/Coordinator to intervene as deemed necessary/prudent to assure that such obligations are dealt with in a satisfactory manner.

MISSION CHURCHES: When an area has evidenced interest in developing a church body, and there is indigenous leadership ready to deal with such issues as worship space, time commitment, financial affairs, etc., the District Committee may authorize such work to affiliate with the UFMCC in the GLAD District, providing them with appropriate Pastoral leadership. Such groups, consisting of at least fifteen people signing a petition indicating their intent to work to build a church, support financially and with time commitment such a work, and their intent to support the UFMCC, shall then work diligently toward the goal of meeting the criteria for Commissioning. The Pastoral leader shall conduct the affairs of the church in accordance with the By-laws of the UFMCC and the Standard Operating Procedures of the Gulf and Lower Atlantic District, appointing (with the approval of the District Committee) an advisory Board of Directors, consisting of at least a clerk and a treasurer. Monthly reports and tithes shall be submitted in accordance with procedures established by the UFMCC and the GLAD.

PRE-EXISTING WORKS: It is recognized that, from time to time, there may be groups of worshippers already meeting outside the aegis of the UFMCC who choose to affiliate with us. Such pre-existing works shall be investigated by the District Committee as with those who request Mission Church status, and, upon the approval of the District Committee, shall be welcomed into our District as Mission Churches for a minimum of four months, during which time the government, theology, structure, and other pertinent information about the UFMCC shall be taught in order to prepare them for full participation as voting church bodies. After such preparation time, such pre-existing groups may be received as Commissioned Churches, at which level they shall function for a minimum of six months.

COMMISSIONED CHURCHES: In order to qualify as Commissioned Churches, Mission Churches must present to the District Committee petitions signed by at least 25 members-in-good-standing. Such petitions must contain pledges to: a. Uphold the Statement of Faith and By-laws of the UFMCC and the S.O.P.'s of the GLAD; b. Actively support through gifts of money and personal involvement, the work of the local church over the ensuing year; c. to provide a minimum $600 per month for support of their Pastoral leader; d. Support the goals and directives of the UFMCC as provided in the most recent decisions of the General and District Conferences. Such petitions shall also ensure that those signing have a minimum record of attendance/involvement of three months, and shall include a list of stated goals for the local church for the ensuing year in the areas of worship, evangelism, education and stewardship.

If the District Committee finds that the petition pledges an acceptable level of commitment and support, it may commission the church for one year. The District Committee shall be responsible for seeing that the Commissioned Church develops/adopts local By-laws/ Standard Operating Procedures.

If a petition for Commissioned Church status or renewed Commissioned Church status is not approved, the leaders of the petitioning church shall meet with the District Committee to discuss the reasons for such denial, and to plan /discuss those things which will ensure future approval.

The Commission of a church is renewable annually. Successive annual petitions for renewal should give evidence of continued growth, and intended progress toward chartering.

CHARTERED CHURCHES: To qualify for chartering, petitions from Commissioned Churches consisting of at least 35 members-in-good-standing must be received by the District Committee, requesting chartering. Such petitions shall contain pledged commitment to uphold the Statement of faith, By-laws and Directives of the UFMCC; a pledged willingness and ability to support a full-time Pastor, whose salary must be at least $1,000 per month; a willingness and ability to provide for the expenses of its Pastor and lay delegate(s) to District and General Conferences; plans for continuing work and growth in the areas of worship, congregational care, evangelism, education, and stewardship consistent with these standards.

Upon consideration, the District Committee may recommend to the General Council that the petitioning church be chartered, for a period of not more than five years, with the provision that the charter may be subject to review and/or removal if said church shall fall below minimum standards prior to the fifth year.

CHARTER REVIEW: Each Chartered Church shall have its charter reviewed every five years. Such review procedure shall seek to ensure that minimum standards are being maintained; that there is an on-going plan for growth within the church; and that the church remains generally healthy. Such reviews shall begin no later than five years from the adoption of these standards by the G.L.A.D. District Conference. The District Committee may devise a plan whereby charter reviews are staggered, subject to the approval of the District Conference.

SPECIAL WORKS: It may be deemed necessary/appropriate, from time to time, to establish within the GLAD District special works such as Institutional Ministries, Campus Ministries, etc. The District Committee, in consultation with the Board of Home Missions (or its successor group), shall devise such standards for these special works as are consistent with existing standards for church groups, with the provision that each case may require special exemptions which, if mutually agreed upon by the bodies, can be approved, subject to review by the District Conference.

STUDENT CLERGY: Any Commissioned or Chartered Church shall have the right to license student clergy, with the proviso that, lacking a clergy person as Pastoral leader, Commissioned Churches **must** provide for adequate clergy supervision of student clergy. Student clergypersons **may** be licensed by the District to serve as Pastoral leaders **only** if they are provided with adequate supervision by a duly-credentialled UFMCC clergyperson. Anyone wishing to be licensed as student clergy shall meet the established requirements for student clergy of the Clergy Credentials and Concerns Committee of the UFMCC.

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP: Recognizing the priesthood of **all** believers, the GLAD welcomes qualified lay-persons as Pastoral leaders of Mission and Commissioned Churches unhesitatingly, given the dearth of clergy in ratio to Pastoral positions available. However, we also recognize the unique calling of the clergy, and urge our churches to receive duly-credentialled UFMCC clergy as their Pastoral leaders. Chartered Churches should call UFMCC-credentialled clergy as their Pastoral leaders, and any exceptions must be approved by the District Committee in consultation with the Board of Home Missions (or its successor body). Clergy from other denominations, should they wish to continue in Pastoral leadership positions within the GLAD shall make arrangements with the C.C.C.C. to transfer their credentials to the UFMCC according to established procedures. Both lay Pastoral leaders and non-UFMCC clergy must be prepared to accept/understand/teach UFMCC polity and theological stances, as well as allConference-established directives to remain in their leadership positions, and must pledge to uphold the Statement of Faith and By-laws of the UFMCC, as well as the SOP's of the GLAD.

Any exceptions to these standards must be approved by 2/3 vote of the District Conference in each house.

Any matters not specifically addressed herein, and not falling under the jurisdiction of the UFMCC By-laws, are reserved to the local church option.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Bruce A. Hill, Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

John Coker - Birmingham, AL
Mary Campbell - Hickory, NC
Arlene Robbins - Charlotte, NC
Rev. Steven Quesnel - Memphis, TN
Kathy Switzer - Jackson, MS
Bob Harmon - Columbia, SC
Rev. Lynn Guerra - Charlotte, NC
Rev. Bruce Hill - Atlanta, GA

It is our intent that this document be presented to the district for consideration at the Fall, 1986 District Conference. The Chair requests that the lay and clergy delegates seek the input of their local churches and send such input the the Chair **NO LATER THAN** July 1, 1986. In turn, the chair will synthesize the input, and return to the churches the revised document no later than September 1, in order for local input again, prior to (hopefully) adoption by the District Conference in the Fall.

P R O P O S A L F O R

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES
FOR
GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT
OF THE UNIVERSAL FELLOWSHIP OF METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCHES

ARTICLE I. Name and Boundaries

A. The name of this body shall be the the Gulf Lower Atlantic District of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. The Gulf Lower Atlantic District hereinafter called "the District" exists under the provisions of the by-laws of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, hereinafter called "the Fellowship." The by-laws of the Fellowship shall govern these Standard Operating Procedures and all actions taken by the District or its officers.

B. The District shall be the states of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Action of the General Conference of the Fellowship or the General Council of the Fellowship affecting the boundaries of this District shall automatically amend this section without specific District action.

ARTICLE II. Purpose

A. The purpose of this District as defined by the Fellowship by-laws is Christian fellowship, mutual cooperation, to enable and empower Christian ministry within our jurisdiction through

the member congregations and bodies, and other objectives as set forth in those by-laws.

ARTICLE III. Doctrine, Sacraments, and Rites

A. The doctrine, sacraments, and rites of this District shall be those of the Fellowship as stated in the Fellowship by-laws (Article II B).

ARTICLE IV. Ministry

A. This District affirms the universal priesthood of all believers (I Peter 2:5-10). All members of the Church are called by God to a ministry of the Gospel of Christ in the Church and in the world.

B. This District recognizes the exclusive right of the Fellowship to determine all matters pertaining to the credentialing of professional Christian clergy.

C. Student Clergy is the office defined in the Fellowship by-laws with appointment and discipline as outlined therein (Article IV B 2).

D. Deacon is the office defined in the Fellowship by-laws with appointment and discipline as outlined therein (Article IV A 2).

E. It is the desire of this District, in the interest of ecumenical cooperation, to accept clergy and laity from other denominations as guests and guest speakers when the occasion shall be deemed appropriate.

ARTICLE V. Government and Officers

The government of this District is vested in its District Conference which exerts the right to control all of its affairs subject

to these Standard Operating Procedures and the by-laws of the Fellowship.

A. Church Leadership Committee

1. The Church Leadership Committee's purpose is to act in an advisory capacity on spiritual and religious matters to the District Committee.
2. The Church Leadership Committee shall be composed of one (1) religious leader (either minister or worship coordinator) from each church.
3. The chief items that this committee will address/discuss will be to hear reports from the churches and clergy. It shall recommend worship coordinators and make other recommendations relative to the spiritual (not administrative) nature of the church.
4. The Church Leadership Committee shall meet immediately (not more than one week) prior to each District Conference in the city where the District Conference is to be held.
5. When possible, District officers will meet with the Church Leadership Committee.

B. The District Committee is that body elected by the District Conference to carry on the administrative affairs of the District in an orderly manner between District Conferences. All actions of the District Committee must be reported to and approved by the District Conference except where specifically provided in these Standard Operating Procedures or Fellowship By-Laws.

1. This Committee shall consist of the District Coordinator, Assistant District Coordinator, District Clerk, District Treasurer, Lay Representative of the District, two representatives elected from the Clergy House, and one representative elected from the Lay House. One lay and one clergy alternate shall be elected at the same time. Members of the District Committee must be members in good standing within the Fellowship, of obvious spiritual quality and leadership, who are mature and have sound judgment and a proven record of accomplishment. Their term of office shall be two (2) years, except that of the District Coordinator who shall have a term of four (4) years.
2. The representatives and alternates from the Clergy House shall be elected by a majority of Clergy House to a two (2) year term at the autumn District Conference in even numbered years. A representative and alternate from the Lay House shall be elected by a majority of the Lay House to a two (2) year term at the autumn District Conference in even numbered years.
3. It is the responsibility of the District Committee to propose a budget to the District Conference each year and to implement such a budget when adopted: to establish a procedure for formulating and distributing a tentative agenda to be mailed to all delegates, District officers, and congregations at least thirty (30) days prior to the Conference; and to establish and make appointments to District committees and task forces; to carry out the directives of

the District Conference and of the General Conference as appropriate. It is also the responsibility fo the District Committee to act upon petitions for commissioning and chartering based upon recommendations by the Church Leadership Committee according to the procedures established by the District Conference. The District Committee will name the Board(s) of Trustees of any property acquired by the District.

B. The officers of the District shall be a District Coordinator, an Assistant District Coordinator, a District Clerk, a District Treasurer, and a District Lay Representative and a Clergy Representative.

1. District Coordinator

a. The District Coordinator shall be elected to a four year term at the autumn District Conference in odd numbered years. The District Coordinator will also serve as a member of the General Council of the Fellowship.

b. It shall be the duty fo the District Coordinator to provide spiritual direction and guidance; to act as Moderator at all District Conferences and meetings; to represent the General Council within the District; to coordinate and administer the work of the District in achieving its purposes; and to assure, together with the District Committee, that every church within the District is supplied with a pastor or other pastoral leadership. It shall be the right and duty of the District Coordinator, or any representative whom the District Coordinator may delegate, to visit all churches

within the District at least once a year. The District Coordinator shall also serve as the chair of the District Committee.

2. Assistant District Coordinator

   a. An Assistant District Coordinator shall be elected to a two year term at the autumn District Conference in odd numbered years.

   b. The Assistant District Coordinator assumes the chair at meetings of the District Conference or District Committee in the absence of the District Coordinator or at the District Coordinator's request. The Assistant District Coordinator shall perform other duties as deemed appropriate by the District Coordinator and/or the District Committee.

   c. Additional persons (as many as are deemed necessary) may be appointed as Assistant District Coordinators with the approval of the District Committee.

3. District Clerk

   a. The District Clerk shall be elected to a two year term at the autumn District Conference in even numbered years.

   b. The District Clerk shall be responsible for the recording of the minutes of the District business meetings, for maintaining current lists of district committees and mailing lists, for keeping orderly files of District records and pertinent materials including District statistical information.

4. District Treasurer

   a. The District Treasurer shall be elected to a two year term at the autumn District Confernece in even numbered years.

   b. The District Treasurer shall be responsible for the receipt and safekeeping of all funds of the District, to disburse funds as directed by the District Committee and in accordance with the budget adopted by the District Conference. The District Treasurer shall be responsible for keeping accurate books of all accounts payable and accounts receivable and to prepare a monthly and quarterly statement sent to members of the District Committee, a copy of which shall be sent to all district congregations, clergy, lay delegates, District officers, and the General Council. The District Treasurer shall act as moderator of the District Finance Committee and shall present a financial report at each District Conference.

5. District Lay Representative

   a. The Lay Representative of the GLAD District shall be elected for a two (2) year term by the lay delegates present at the autumn District Conference in even numbered years. S/he must be a member in good standing within the District during his/her term of office. A separate election for the Alternate Lay Representative will then be held at the same conference.

   b. The District Lay Representative shall serve as the elected representative to the UFMCC Commission on the

Laity. The responsibilities of the Lay Representative shall include educating and informing the laity on the function and activities of lay persons within this District by speaking/preaching, visiting, distributing printed materials, acting as an advocate for the interests of the District's laity, and serving as a member of the District Committee.

C. All District officers and staff must be members in good standing within the District during their term of office.

D. No District officer may hold more than one District office at any one time.

E. All District officers shall submit written report on the fulfillment of their duties to the business meeting at the autumn District Conference.

F. The District affirms the position of District representatives to the Fellowship Commission of Faith, Fellowship, and Order.

1. The District shall elect one lay and one clergy representative and their alternates for two (2) year terms at the District Conference business meeting immediately following General Conference. S/he must be a member in good standing within the District during her/his term of office.

2. Representatives shall attend Commission meetings whenever possible, present FFO workshops at District meetings when workshops are available, and serve this District as required by the Commission.

G. The District affirms the position of District Representatives to the Elders Nominating Committee.

1. The District shall elect one Lay and one Clergy representative and their alternates at the business meeting immediately prior to General Conference for terms expiring at the end of the election of the Elders.
2. Prior to General Conference, representatives shall collect input from District congregations on possible nominees for the Board of Elders.

H. Vacancies

1. If a vacancy occurs in the office of District Coordinator, the Assistant District Coordinator will serve as Acting District Coordinator until the next District Conference at which time an election shall be held to fill the unexpired term.
2. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Assistant District Coordinator, the District Committee shall appoint an interim Assistant District Coordinator to serve until the next District Conference at which time an election shall be held to fill the unexpired term.
3. If a vacancy occurs in the office of District Clerk, the District Committee shall appoint an interim District Clerk to serve until the next regularly scheduled District Conference at which time a person shall be elected to fill the remainder of the regular term of office.

4. If a vacancy occurs in the office of District Treasurer, the District Committee shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next regularly scheduled District Conference at which time a person shall be elected to fill the remainder of the regular term of office.
5. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Lay Representative of the District, the person who is the Alternate Lay Representative shall fill the remainder of the term. An Alternate Lay Representative will be elected at the next District Conference. Should both the position of representative and alternate be vacant, the District Committee shall appoint Lay/Clergy Representatives. The appointments shall stand for confirmation at the next District Conference.
6. If a vacancy occurs in the position of Representative to FFO, the alternate Lay or Clergy Representative shall be elected at the next business meeting. Should both the position of representative and alternate be vacant, the District Committee shall appoint Lay/Clergy Representatives. The appointments shall stand for confirmation at the next District Conference.
7. If a vacancy occurs in the position of Representative to the Eleders Nominating Committee, Alternate Lay/Clergy Representatives shall fill the remainder of the term.
8. If a vacancy occurs on the District Committee, in the position of Clergy representatives or Lay representatives, the alternate clergy or lay representatives shall fill the

remainder of the term. A new alternate, as appropriate, shall be elected at the next District Conference. Should both the position of representative and alternate be vacant, the District Committee shall appoint Lay/Clergy representatives. The appointments shall stand for confirmation at the next District Conference.

ARTICLE VI. Meetings

A. The District Conference shall be held twice a year, one in the spring and one in the autumn. The spring conference shall be primarily for fellowship and spiritual renewal. The autumn conference shall also include elections and business.

B. The date and place of the spring conference shall be determined at the previous spring conference. The date and place of the autumn conference shall be determined at the previous autumn conference.

C. Special District conferences may be called as specified in the By-laws of the Fellowship. The call of such a conference shall specify the date and place of the meeting and the subject(s) to be considered. It shall be the responsibility of the District Clerk to provide thirty (30) days written notice of such a call to all voting members of the District Conference. Only business specified in the call of the meeting shall be considered.

D. A District Conference quorum shall consist of no less than fifty-five (55) percent of all eligible clergy and fifty-five (55) percent of all eligible lay delegates of the District.

E. The program and agenda for all District Conferences must be approved by the District Committee 30 days prior to the conference.

F. Rules of procedure at a District Conference business meeting shall be those of the most recent General Conference of the Fellowship. It shall be the perogative of the moderator unless overruled by a majority vote of the eligible voting delegates to permit persons to speak to an issue even if they are not elected representatives of the District church bodies or Fellowship clergy affiliated with the District.

G. The District Coordinator shall have the responsibility of providing reasonable opportunity for the introduction of new business from the floor except at a Special District Conference.

H. The budget of the District must be approved by the District Finance Committee not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the District Conference and distributed to all conference registrants prior to the conference business meeting.

I. All Fellowship clergy who are members of local church bodies in the District shall be entitled to speak and to vote. All District officers have a voice and a vote in their respective houses. Each chartered or commissioned church shall be entitled to the number of voting delegates according to the By-laws of the Fellowship and member of the District Committee shall have a voice and vote in their respective houses.

J. Lay members of the Fellowship shall be eligible for election to any office of the District in accordance with the Fellowship By-laws and District SOPs with the exception of the clergy

representative to the District Committee.

K. The costs of a District Conference shall be borne by the District which may recoup any or all of these costs through a registration fee. The District will pay the registration costs, housing, transportation, and per diem of its officers.

L. With the exception of the Sunday worship service, all offerings shall be collected immediately by the District Treasurer and shall be considered District funds. Profits realized through the sales of books and/or items by any congregation belong to the congregation offering the item(s).

M. All conference materials, agendas, budgets, reports, etc., shall be mailed to all conference registrants (including lay delegates and clergy) who register one month or more prior to the conference. The cost of this mailing shall be included in the registration fee.

ARTICLE VII. FINANCES

A. The District Finance Committee shall consist of the District Coordinator, the District Treasurer, and three members appointed by the District Coordinator and affirmed by the District Committee. These members shall be members in good standing in the District and shall stand for confirmation at the next District Conference. The District Treasurer shall act as the Moderator of the District Finance Committee. The District Finance Committee shall be responsible in all financial areas to the District Conference.

B. The District Finance Committee shall establish and administer Standard Operating Procedures for the disbursement of all

District funds as directed by the District Conference. These procedures shall include specific directives to all signatory parties.

C. Each congregation is required to contribute on a monthly basis a minimum of five (5) percent of all collected funds, except recognized designated funds, to the District to help expand Christian outreach and defray District administrative costs.

D. When attending official functions, housing costs, per diem, and travel costs of the District Coordinator, the Assistant District Coordinator, or other persons officially representing the District shall be paid on the basis of either actual cost of plane, train, bus, or mileage at the current IRS business mileage rate or that reasonable amount approved through the budgeting process of the District. Such costs shall be reimbursed only if approved in advance by the District Conference or by the District Committee.

ARTICLE VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Permanent District files shall be maintained in the custody of the District Coordinator.

B. The District Coordinator shall appoint a Parliamentarian for each District business session.

C. Discipline for District officers shall be as defined in the By-laws of the Fellowship.

D. It is the policy of this District, whenever possible, to maintain a parity of clergy and laity, with geographic representation inclusive of differently abled, race and gender on committees, task forces, and working groups.

ARTICLE IX. APPROVAL AND AMENDMENTS OF THESE POWERS

A. These Standard Operating Procedures shall come into effect when they are adopted by the District Conference on an interim basis and finalized when ratified by the General Council. Two-thirds of the voting clergy and two-thirds of the voting laity shall be necessary to adopt these Standard Operating Procedures.

B. These Standard Operating Procedures may be amended or repealed on an article-by-article basis at any duly convened meeting of the District Conference. They shall be proposed in writing and distributed to all voting delegates at least 30 days prior to the District Conference by any District Officer, any licensed or ordained member of the clergy, any lay delegate, or the Board of any local church group. To be adopted, any amendment or change to these procedures must be approved by two-thirds of the voting clergy and two-thirds fo the voting laity. Amendments become effective when ratified by the General Council.

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT-UFMCC

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

APRIL CONFERENCE

NASHVILLE TENNESSEE

APRIL 25-27 1986

submitted by; Dennis Luft
Acting Treasurer

Dennis Luft

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT UFMCC
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 11-1-85 AND ENDING 4-23-86

TITHE INCOME	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	TOTAL	AVERAGE
Alabama									
Birmingham	$ 53.37	$ 62.30	$ 72.56	$ 54.73	$ 65.83	$ 66.90		$ 375.69	$ 62.62
Mobile	19.54	35.96	33.70	23.27	20.13	26.35		158.95	26.49
Montgomery	26.23	34.38	38.84	39.95	27.20	32.89		199.49	33.25
Georgia									
Atlanta - All Saints	68.45	76.51	100.11	68.48	79.18	119.98		512.71	85.45
Atlanta - Blessed Redeemer	58.40	39.75	63.77	104.94	102.01	162.92		531.79	88.63
Mississippi									
Jackson	15.19	17.40	29.28	31.08	32.35	40.37		165.67	27.61
North Carolina									
Charlotte - MCC Charlotte	73.01	48.71	88.38	83.32	65.70	76.30		435.42	72.57
Charlotte - New Life	74.82	88.40	104.26	74.31	73.92	197.86		613.57	102.26
Greensboro	68.86	67.68	84.46	78.41	99.92	114.42		513.75	85.63
Hickory	N/A	***	***	***	***	***		***	***
Raleigh	100.82	121.48	295.71	162.06	158.82	210.07		1,048.96	174.83
South Carolina									
Charleston	49.37	54.29	62.12	47.18	45.40	54.70		313.06	52.18
Columbia	40.78	***	***	***	***	***		40.78	***
Greenville	9.00	6.87	8.93	10.14	10.18	25.39		70.51	11.75
Tennessee									
Knoxville	33.23	44.85	47.78	38.75	42.21	77.92		284.74	47.46
Memphis	29.63	27.99	21.17	N/A	N/A	N/A		78.79	N/A
Nashville	92.26	100.21	147.83	69.22	77.26	102.33		589.11	98.19
Tri-Cities	12.20	7.02	12.37	17.15	7.28	15.49		71.51	11.92
Subtotal Tithe Income	$ 825.16	$ 833.80	$1,211.27	$ 902.99	$ 907.39	$1,323.89		$6,004.50	$ 980.84
Miscellaneous Income									
Money Market Interest		$ 31.51	$ 29.78	$ 30.15	$ 24.36	$ 24.40	$ 24.12	$ 164.32	
Refund of deposit for November conference		300.00						300.00	
Saturday a.m. service offering-Nov. conference		167.50						167.50	
November conference profit		73.59						73.59	
Donations received for conference travel aid		117.00						117.00	
Subtotal									
Miscellaneous Income	$	$ 689.60	$ 29.78	$ 30.15	$ 24.36	$ 24.40	$ 24.12	$ 822.41	
TOTAL INCOME	$ 825.16	$1,523.40	$1,241.05	$ 933.14	$ 931.75	$1,348.29	$ 24.12	$6,826.91	

***Not Reported as of Statement Date

NOTE: CHURCH TITHES HAVE BEEN REPORTED FOR MONTH DUE REGARDLESS OF DATE ACTUALLY RECEIVED.

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT UFMCC
STATEMENT OF EXPENSES
FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 11-1-85 AND ENDING 4-23-86

BUDGETED EXPENSES	BUDGETED AMOUNT	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	TOTAL
Salary	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$	$2,000.00
Salary Supplement/ Expense Allowance	150.00*	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	900.00
D.C. and A.D.C. District Travel	150.00	25.00	---	75.00	172.79	25.00		297.79
Communications:	125.00							
Telephone		84.38	36.48	76.61	69.92	116.07	95.33	478.79
Postage		14.40	34.92	44.00	5.79	44.00	7.09	150.20
Office Supplies		0.00	0.00	40.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.76
Photocopying Charges		0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	62.06	25.00	137.06
Subtotal		98.78	71.40	186.37	100.71	222.13	127.42	806.81
General Council & District Conference Expenses - D.C.	75.00	47.58				332.59		380.17
District Representatives (FFO,COL)	100.00					198.00		198.00
Subtotal Budgeted Expenses	$ 850.00*	$ 721.36	$ 621.40	$ 811.37	$ 823.50	$1,327.72	$ 277.42	$4,582.77
NON-BUDGETED EXPENSES								500.00
Travel Assistance Sam Edelman		500.00						900.00
Aid to Memphis		300.00	300.00	300.00				
District -Employer FICA							85.80	85.80
Subtotal Non-Budgeted Expenses		$ 800.00	$ 300.00	$ 300.00			$ 85.80	$1,485.80
Total Expenses		$1,521.36	$ 921.40	$1,111.37	$ 823.50	$1,327.72	$ 363.22	$6,068.57

*Salary supplement/expense allowance is recognized as a monthly drain on the money market account. It is not expected that this expenditure be met by the regular monthly church tithe income. Monthly budget including this item is $1,000.00.

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT UFMCC
SUMMARY COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 11-1-85 AND ENDING 4-23-86

	NOVEMBER 1, 1985	INCOME FOR PERIOD	EXPENSES FOR PERIOD	APRIL 23, 1986
Checking	$ 386.28	$6,499.67	$5,268.57	$1,617.38
Receivable	0.00	162.92	0.00	162.92
Money Market	6.000.00	164.32	800.00	5,364.32
	$6,386.28	$6,826.91	$6,068.57	$7,144.62
Increase in Financial Position for Period				$ 758.34

Schedule of Events

Thursday, April 24

Proficiency exams administered by the Clergy Review Committee

Friday, April 25

9 AM - 12 Noon	District Committee meets--MCC Nashville building
1 PM - 4 PM	Board of Home Missions meeting--MCC Nashville building
5 PM -	Registration--Road Venture Inn, 2600 Music Valley Dr.
8 PM -	Entertainment provided by MCC Nashville--Road Venture Inn

Saturday, April 26 All events will be at Road Venture Inn

9 AM - 10 AM	Opening Worship Service--led by Mary Moore, DC.
10:30 AM - 1 PM	Business meeting
1 PM - 2 PM	Lunch (on your own)
2:30 PM - 5 PM	1. Vocabularies of Faith (choice of one) 2. Support Groups (clergy, Deacons, Board, etc) 3. GLAD Visionary group
6:30 PM - 7 PM	Gathering for dinner
7 PM - 8 PM	Banquet/Procession of Banners/Awards presentations
8 PM - 9 PM	Guest speaker--The Rev. Elder Troy Perry, Founder, UFMCC
9 PM - 11 PM	Sing-a-long

Sunday, April 27 All events will be at MCC Nashville, 131 15th Avenue North

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	Continental breakfast
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Worship Service--Rev. Troy Perry preaching
7 PM	MCC Nashville Worship Service

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DIRECTIONS TO MCC BUILDING

Our building is located at 131 15th Avenue North. This is one block from Interstate 40. Approaching from the East, take the Broadway exit and turn left. Go two blocks to 15th Avenue and turn right. Jim Reed Chevrolet will be on the corner. Church is located on the left 1½ blocks down. All interstates leading to Nashville connect with I-40. However, if you should go astray, just call the church at 320-0288 and we will guide you safely home. If you will be coming to Nashville on I-24 or I-65, please make sure you exit onto I-40 West.

Directions to the Road Venture Inn are on the pamphlets included in this packet.

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Date: 9 November 85

Location: Park Road Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC

Time: 9:45am -12:00noon and 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Representatives present:

Church	Clergy	Worship Coordinator	Laity
Atlanta (AS)		Byron Hilbun	Loyal Charles
Atlanta (BR)	Rev. B Hill		Richard George
Birmingham		Mary Moore	Larry Meek
Charlotte (MC)	Rev. L Guerra		Arlene Robbins
Charlotte (NL)	Rev. A Fleschner		Linda Davis
Columbia			Bob Harmon
Greensboro		Christine Oscar	Mary Allen Watson
Greenville		Dr. Charles Lippy	Leroy Lawhorn
Hickory		Nancy Campbell	Micki May
Jackson		Kathy Switzer	Sue Dabbs
Knoxville	Rev. B Galloway		Brian Hingerty
Memphis	Rev S Quesnel		Joey Brown
Mobile	Rev M Regona		Ken Jones
Montgomery			Nancy Moody
Nashville	Rev P Tucker		T J Burnham
	Rev J Pierce		
Raleigh	Rev J Norris		Vicki Landes
Tri-Cities			Dale Walp

MOTION: The Board of Home Missions Report be approved.
MOVED: Tucker
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Approve September District Conference minutes.
MOVED: George
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Move to adopt agenda
MOVED: Tucker
SECOND: George
AMENDMENT: Move the item "Budget Committee Proposal" down between "Election of Officers" and "Recommendations Concerning Standards/SOP's". FAILED
AMENDMENT: Limit time of discussion on items to: 2 people speaking for item and 2 people speaking against.
Friendly Amendment: Move that the discussion be limited to time and not to number of people with each person allowed 2 minutes to speak. Amendment accepted by maker of original motion. FAILED (10 Against Lay 6 For Lay Fails in this house)
AMENDMENT: Add to agenda to recommend setting the next meeting time. Approved
AMENDMENT: Propose a name change for the SAD District. Approved
VOTE: Agenda approved.

MOTION: Approve the District Coordinator's Report
MOVED: Hill
SECOND: George
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Accept Assistant District Coordinator's Reports
MOVED: George
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Approve Treasurer's Report
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: Watson
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: At every District Conference the Treasurer's Report be in written form and be inclusive of financial information within 30 to 45 days of the close of the preceding month.
MOVED: Harmon
SECOND: Tucker
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: To adopt the Proposed Budget for 1986
MOVED: Burnham
SECOND: George
DISCUSSION: Pierce recommended that money be added in the budget for on-going fellowship work in the district such as FFO and the Commission on Laity. She recommended that an item be identified for travel and suggested the $100.00 item now set to go to the money market account.
Friendly Amendment: Delete the item transfer to money market account and change that to Funding for UFMCC District Representatives. Amendment accepted.
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: To consider the options for the $6,000 in the money market account
MOVED: Tucker
SECOND: Robbins
DISCUSSION: It was recommended that the District continue to provide the subsidy of $300 per month for Memphis until the next District Conference or until Memphis is financially autonomous whichever comes first. This was accepted as a motion.
VOTE: Passed

MOTION: Subsidize the District Coordinator's salary if needed from the $6,000 money market account at the rate of $150 per month until the next budget.
MOVED: Fleschner
SECOND: Hill
Friendly Amendment: The subsidy will be taken from the budget first and from the money market account if needed. Accepted.
VOTE: Passed

MOTION: The District Conference recommend that each church hold one fund raiser per year with money going to the District Treasury.
MOVED: Watson
SECOND: Quesnel
VOTE: Failed in the clergy house.

MOTION: Give the District Committee the power to use the money in the money market account in case of emergency or for support.
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Passed

MOTION: Direct that the District Committee draw up a 1987 Budget that is unified. (one budget)
MOVED: Galloway
SECOND: George
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: The District Conference to the best of its ability be self-supporting except for regular host church expenses and that all church offerings go to the District except that offering at that church's regularly scheduled meeting time and that the Registration proceeds go to the District.
MOVED: Hill
SECOND: Norris
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: That the elected officers from the GLAD District be the GLAD District Committee. Those officers will include the District Coordinator, Assistant District Coordinator, Treasurer, Clerk, Lay Representative.
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: George
AMENDMENT: Elect a Clergy Representative who will be a member of the District Committee. Amendment passed.
VOTE: Approved unanimously

Nominations for District Coordinator were open from the floor. No nominations were made.
MOTION: Close nominations
MOVED: George
SECOND: Quesnel
VOTE: Approved

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

District Coordinator
Nominees: Mary Moore
T J Burnham
Loyal Charles (declined)
Rev. Joseph Gilbert
Elected: Mary Moore

Assistant District Coordinator
Nominees: Tom Karl
Rev. Bob Galloway
Elected: Rev. Bob Galloway
No nominations from the floor

District Treasurer
Nominees: T J Burnham
Dennis Luft
Elected: T J Burnham
No nominations from the floor

District Clerk
Nominees: J. Allen Kelderman — Elected: Nancy Gunn
Jaan Sturgis
Nancy Gunn (from the floor)

District Lay Representative
Nominees: Loyal Charles — Elected: Loyal Charles
Wayne Lindsey
Bob Harmon (from the floor)

District Clergy Representative
Nominees from the floor:
Rev. Janet Pierce — Elected: Rev. Janet Pierce
Rev. Paul Tucker

FFO Lay Representative
Nominees from the floor:
Ken Jones — Elected: Arlene Robbins
Arlene Robbins
Wayne Lindsey

FFO Lay Alternate
Nominees from the floor:
Wayne Lindsey — Elected: Wayne Lindsey
Janelle Lavelle

FFO Clergy Representative
Nominees from the floor:
Rev. Bruce Hill — Elected: Rev. Bruce Hill

FFO CLergy Alternate
Nominees from the floor:
Kathy Switzer — Elected: Kathy Switzer
Christine Oscar

Alternate Lay Representative
Nominees from the floor:
Mary Allen Watson — Elected: Mary Allen Watson

END OF ELECTION

There is a need to identify Third World leaders in our district. Rev. Bruce Hill will try to coordinate making initial contacts.

MOTION: Accept MCC Nashville's offer to host the Spring Conference at a retreat center near Chattanooga, Tn
MOVED: Norris
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Set the conference dates for April and October
MOVED: Fleschner
SECOND: Hill
Friendly Amendment: Dates be the 1st weekend in October and the last weekend in April. Amendment not accepted.
Amendment: Accept the 2nd weekend in October and the last in April. Failed
AMENDMENT: The District Conference be the last weekend in April and the first weekend in November. Accepted
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: The conference be held in a centralized location for one meeting and move about in the district for the other meeting.
MOVED: George
SECOND: Tucker
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: Moved to accept St. Jude's MCC in Columbia, SC offer to host a district conference at a retreat center near Columbia.
MOVED: Fleschner
SECOND: Lippy
Friendly Amendment: Accept as tentative offer until learn of details in April at the district conference. Accepted
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: Complete the Standards Committee that will work on guidelines "Church Status".
MOVED: Tucker
SECOND: Robbins
VOTE: Approved
Two volunteers: John Coker, Kathy Switzer; 1 alternate: Bob Harmon

MOTION: Elect an SOP Committee to study the SOP's and bring recommendations to the Spring Conference
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: Fleschner
VOTE: Approved
Nominees: Linda Davis, Nancy Moody, Jaan Sturgis, Christine Oscar and Rev Steve Quesnel

MOTION: Recommend that at the Spring 1987 Conference that a Nominations Committee be formed for those elections in Nov, 1987
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: Charles
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: Small church groups submit written standard financial statements to District each month. MOTION WITHDRAWN

MOTION: Review the financial status of all small church groups not chartered and have the obligations they have in writing to include their rent, electriciaty, phone, water, etc. NO SECOND TO MOTION

MOTION: The SOP Committee be instructed to look at the issue regarding small church groups and their financial obligations and report to the spring conference.
MOVED: George
SECOND: Moody
Friendly Amendment: Move this to the Standards Committee not the SOP Committee. Amendment accepted.
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: The District Coordinator will contact the Fellowship office who contact the Fellowship Attorney and let the attorney know that the District has the intent to contact the utility companies, and find out what the attorney would recommend to the District.
MOVED: Harmon
SECOND: George
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: The District Coordinator may appoint Assistant District Coordinators and this is to be ratified by the District Committee.
MOVED: Hill
SECOND: Guerra
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: To adjourn the FALL DISTRICT CONFERENCE
MOVED: George
SECOND: Charles
VOTE: Approved
THIS IS YOUR COPY OF THE MINUTES FOR THE APRIL CONFERENCE.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING THEM WITH YOU!!!

Gulf Lower Atlantic District
UFMCC

SPRING DISTRICT CONFERENCE

APRIL 25 - 27, 1986

"MORE THAN CONQUERORS"

Saturday a.m. April 26, 1986

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Janet Pierce

"I was glad when they said, 'Let us go into the house of God together'." We come together to worship, to sing praise, to share in the wonder of God. Let us open our hearts to the moving ofthe Spirit, here, in this time, in this place.

** THE OPENING HYMN Rev. Byron Hilbun

#354 "The Joy Of The Lord"

LESSONS FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES Rev. Marge Ragona

Joshua 14: 7-12 Matthew 17: 17-21

SPECIAL MUSIC Elle Benham

HOMILY Rev. Bruce Hill

INSTALLATION OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

GIFTS TO THIS MINISTRY Rev. Sam Edelman-Richard

OFFERTORY SOLO Rev. Art Fleschner

**DOXOLOGY

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Bob Galloway, celebrant

Con-celebrants: Dale Walp and Nancy Campbell

Assistants: Richard Morefield, Arlene Robbins, and Miki Mays.

THE CLOSING HYMN Randy Miller

#544 "The Bond Of Love"

THE BENEDICTION Kathy Switzer

May the God of Light flood your souls with vision beyond your wildest imaginings, the Savior of the world grant you the courage to take the first steps, and the Holy Spirit give your dreams wings.

Amen.

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Worship Service Pianist Dwayne Estes, MCC Nashville

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP — Rev. Frank Lail

WELCOME/SHARING/PASSING OF PEACE — Mary Moore

**THE OPENING HYMN — Richard George

INVOCATION — Loyal Charles

SPECIAL MUSIC — G.L.A.D. Choir
"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE — Randy Brite

THE READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE — Mary Allen Watson
1 Samuel 17:45-46a 1 John 4:18-21

**HYMN OF CELEBRATION — Cindy Gower

MESSAGE — Rev. Elder Troy Perry
"We Are More Than Conquerors"

OUR GIFTS TO GOD — Rev. June Norris

SPECIAL MUSIC — G.L.A.D. Choir
"More Than Conquerors"

**DOXOLOGY

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION — Rev. Paul Tucker

Prayer of Confession
Silent Prayer/ The Lord's Prayer
Assurance of Forgiveness/Sursum Corda and Sanctus

Prayer of Consecration/Proclaiming the Mystery of Our Faith

**THE CLOSING HYMN — Nancy Moody

THE BENEDICTION

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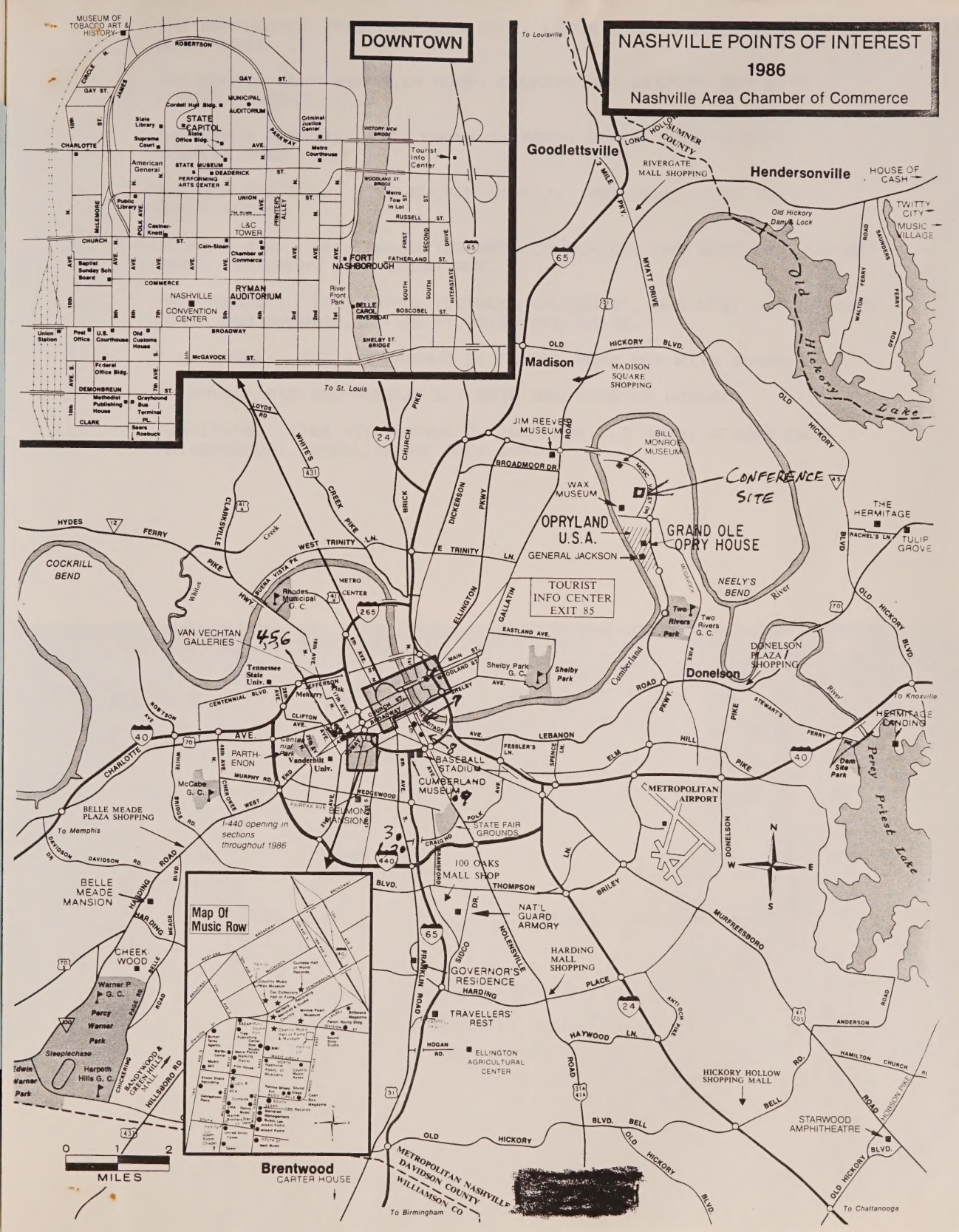
Communion Assistants: Linda Davis, Vicki Landes, Jay Kelderman, Randy Lowe.
Con-celebrants: R.E. Troy Perry, Rev. Lynn Guerra, Christine Oscar.

G.L.A.D. Choir Director — Cliff Morrison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1986
Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce
DOWNTOWN
MUSEUM OF TOBACCO ART & HISTORY
STATE CAPITOL
Cordell Hull Bldg.
State Library
Supreme Court
State Office Bldg.
Criminal Justice Center
Metro Courthouse
Tourist Info Center
American General
STATE MUSEUM
DEADERICK
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
Public Library
Cain-Sloan
L&C TOWER
Chamber of Commerce
FORT NASHBOROUGH
RYMAN AUDITORIUM
NASHVILLE CONVENTION CENTER
River Front Park
BELLE CAROL RIVERBOAT
Union Station
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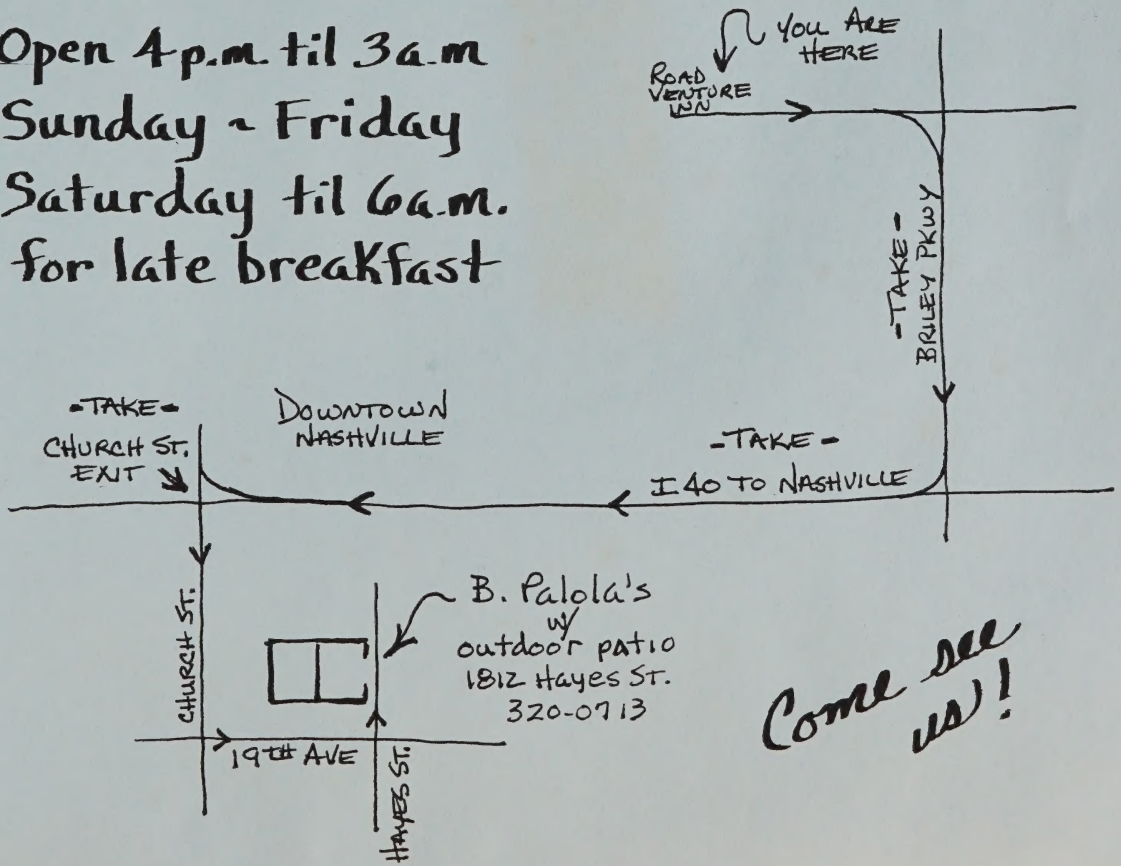

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PROPOSED STANDARDS FOR CHURCHES IN THE G.L.A.D. DISTRICT

In attempting to set standards for churches within our District, the Standards Committee has reviewed those standards recommended to the Mid-Atlantic District, and several alternative proposals from members of the committee. We were unable to meet together for this project, due to circumstances beyond our control. However, recommendations were received by the chair from several of the committee members, and the following proposal represents a synthesis by the chair of that which was received.

In attempting to propose standards, several concerns have become obvious. First, the Great Commission to spread the Good News to the ends of the earth was pre-eminent. Secondly, looking to the history of the District, it became apparent that some precautionary measures were not out of order. The intent is that the needs of individual groups/people be balanced with the needs/concerns of the entire body of churches in such a way as to best meet the perceived needs/goals of both.

While some of the committee members felt that the standards of the M.A.D. District were exactly what was needed, others felt that those were far too stringent. What you are being presented with in this document is a "middle ground", as perceived by the chair.

NEW WORKS:

There are several ways in which new works develop, and it is imperative that we deal with each possibility/opportunity to add to the Realm of Love.

FIRST: The establishment of a new work **must** result from a **locally-recognized** desire for M.C.C. in the community. The days when the "powers-that-be" decided **for** a community that a new work was needed **must** end! Without established local support, such works inevitably produce **negative** results which are extremely difficult to overcome at later dates. We **must** recognize that God will move in ways to establish church bodies when the time is right - and that our time is not always God's time in such matters! Premature involvement in a community not only can result in negative feelings about M.C.C., but nearly inevitable result in negative self-images on the part of those who bravely allow themselves to be involved in the leadership of such groups.

SECOND: Those chosen for leadership positions in New Works **must** meet similar criteria to those met by leaders of established churches - the days must end when we send inexperienced/under-prepared individuals into such ventures; such leaders, while undoubtedly enthusiastic, loving, well-meaning, dedicated people are placed in positions/circumstances which can, all too often, lead to burn-out, frustration, inadvertently inaccurate representation of the goals, polity, theological stances, philosophy, etc. of the Fellowship. Hence, it is incumbent upon the District leadership to appoint well-prepared individuals as Worship Coordinators to such positions.

THIRD: In areas currently served by UFMCC congregations, the leadership of said churches must be consulted when application or indication of interest in another congregation is received from within a 35-mile radius of the existing work. If there are objections to the establishment of such a new work, the District Committee should investigate and weigh all the evidence, and consider all the possible alternatives; then it should act to approve or disapprove the application for a new work in that area. The District Committee's decision could be appealed only by the full Board of Home Missions (or its successor group) at a duly-convened meeting thereof.

FOURTH: It is recognized that each church body within the District **must** be financially responsible. While it is possible for **any** local congregation to experience

occasional, temporary cash-flow difficulties, any **chronic** tardiness in meeting obligations **must** be dealt with in a serious manner in order to assure the protection of the reputation of the U.F.M.C.C. and the G.L.A.D. It is therefore recommended that a reporting system be developed whereby the District officers are regularly apprised of any possibility of delinquent payments threatening the good name of the District/Fellowship. It is recommended that **each** church submit to the District Coordinator/other District officer a monthly summary of its financial statement, which should include income/outlay **and** any unpaid obligations. It would then be incumbent upon the District Committee/Coordinator to intervene as deemed necessary/prudent to assure that such obligations are dealt with in a satisfactory manner.

MISSION CHURCHES: When an area has evidenced interest in developing a church body, and there is indigenous leadership ready to deal with such issues as worship space, time commitment, financial affairs, etc., the District Committee may authorize such work to affiliate with the UFMCC in the GLAD District, providing them with appropriate Pastoral leadership. Such groups, consisting of at least fifteen people signing a petition indicating their intent to work to build a church, support financially and with time commitment such a work, and their intent to support the UFMCC, shall then work diligently toward the goal of meeting the criteria for Commissioning. The Pastoral leader shall conduct the affairs of the church in accordance with the By-laws of the UFMCC and the Standard Operating Procedures of the Gulf and Lower Atlantic District, appointing (with the approval of the District Committee) an advisory Board of Directors, consisting of at least a clerk and a treasurer. Monthly reports and tithes shall be submitted in accordance with procedures established by the UFMCC and the GLAD.

PRE-EXISTING WORKS: It is recognized that, from time to time, there may be groups of worshippers already meeting outside the aegis of the UFMCC who choose to affiliate with us. Such pre-existing works shall be investigated by the District Committee as with those who request Mission Church status, and, upon the approval of the District Committee, shall be welcomed into our District as Mission Churches for a minimum of four months, during which time the government, theology, structure, and other pertinent information about the UFMCC shall be taught in order to prepare them for full participation as voting church bodies. After such preparation time, such pre-existing groups may be received as Commissioned Churches, at which level they shall function for a minimum of six months.

COMMISSIONED CHURCHES: In order to qualify as Commissioned Churches, Mission Churches must present to the District Committee petitions signed by at least 25 members-in-good-standing. Such petitions must contain pledges to: a. Uphold the Statement of Faith and By-laws of the UFMCC and the S.O.P.'s of the GLAD; b. Actively support through gifts of money and personal involvement, the work of the local church over the ensuing year; c. to provide a minimum $600 per month for support of their Pastoral leader; d. Support the goals and directives of the UFMCC as provided in the most recent decisions of the General and District Conferences. Such petitions shall also ensure that those signing have a minimum record of attendance/involvement of three months, and shall include a list of stated goals for the local church for the ensuing year in the areas of worship, evangelism, education and stewardship.

If the District Committee finds that the petition pledges an acceptable level of commitment and support, it may commission the church for one year. The District Committee shall be responsible for seeing that the Commissioned Church develops/adopts local By-laws/ Standard Operating Procedures.

If a petition for Commissioned Church status or renewed Commissioned Church status is not approved, the leaders of the petitioning church shall meet with the District Committee to discuss the reasons for such denial, and to plan /discuss those things which will ensure future approval.

The Commission of a church is renewable annually. Successive annual petitions for renewal should give evidence of continued growth, and intended progress toward chartering.

CHARTERED CHURCHES: To qualify for chartering, petitions from Commissioned Churches consisting of at least 35 members-in-good-standing must be received by the District Committee, requesting chartering. Such petitions shall contain pledged commitment to uphold the Statement of faith, By-laws and Directives of the UFMCC; a pledged willingness and ability to support a full-time Pastor, whose salary must be at least $1,000 per month; a willingness and ability to provide for the expenses of its Pastor and lay delegate(s) to District and General Conferences; plans for continuing work and growth in the areas of worship, congregational care, evangelism, education, and stewardship consistent with these standards.

Upon consideration, the District Committee may recommend to the General Council that the petitioning church be chartered, for a period of not more than five years, with the provision that the charter may be subject to review and/or removal if said church shall fall below minimum standards prior to the fifth year.

CHARTER REVIEW: Each Chartered Church shall have its charter reviewed every five years. Such review procedure shall seek to ensure that minimum standards are being maintained; that there is an on-going plan for growth within the church; and that the church remains generally healthy. Such reviews shall begin no later than five years from the adoption of these standards by the G.L.A.D. District Conference. The District Committee may devise a plan whereby charter reviews are staggered, subject to the approval of the District Conference.

SPECIAL WORKS: It may be deemed necessary/appropriate, from time to time, to establish within the GLAD District special works such as Institutional Ministries, Campus Ministries, etc. The District Committee, in consultation with the Board of Home Missions (or its successor group), shall devise such standards for these special works as are consistent with existing standards for church groups, with the provision that each case may require special exemptions which, if mutually agreed upon by the bodies, can be approved, subject to review by the District Conference.

STUDENT CLERGY: Any Commissioned or Chartered Church shall have the right to license student clergy, with the proviso that, lacking a clergy person as Pastoral leader, Commissioned Churches **must** provide for adequate clergy supervision of student clergy. Student clergypersons **may** be licensed by the District to serve as Pastoral leaders **only** if they are provided with adequate supervision by a duly-credentialled UFMCC clergyperson. Anyone wishing to be licensed as student clergy shall meet the established requirements for student clergy of the Clergy Credentials and Concerns Committee of the UFMCC.

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP: Recognizing the priesthood of **all** believers, the GLAD welcomes qualified lay-persons as Pastoral leaders of Mission and Commissioned Churches unhesitatingly, given the dearth of clergy in ratio to Pastoral positions available. However, we also recognize the unique calling of the clergy, and urge our churches to receive duly-credentialled UFMCC clergy as their Pastoral leaders. Chartered Churches should call UFMCC-credentialled clergy as their Pastoral leaders, and any exceptions must be approved by the District Committee in consultation with the Board of Home Missions (or its successor body). Clergy from other denominations, should they wish to continue in Pastoral leadership positions within the GLAD shall make arrangements with the C.C.C.C. to transfer their credentials to the UFMCC according to established procedures. Both lay Pastoral leaders and non-UFMCC clergy must be prepared to accept/understand/teach UFMCC polity and theological stances, as well as allConference-established directives to remain in their leadership positions, and must pledge to uphold the Statement of Faith and By-laws of the UFMCC, as well as the SOP's of the GLAD.

Any exceptions to these standards must be approved by 2/3 vote of the District Conference in each house.

Any matters not specifically addressed herein, and not falling under the jurisdiction of the UFMCC By-laws, are reserved to the local church option.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Bruce A. Hill, Chair

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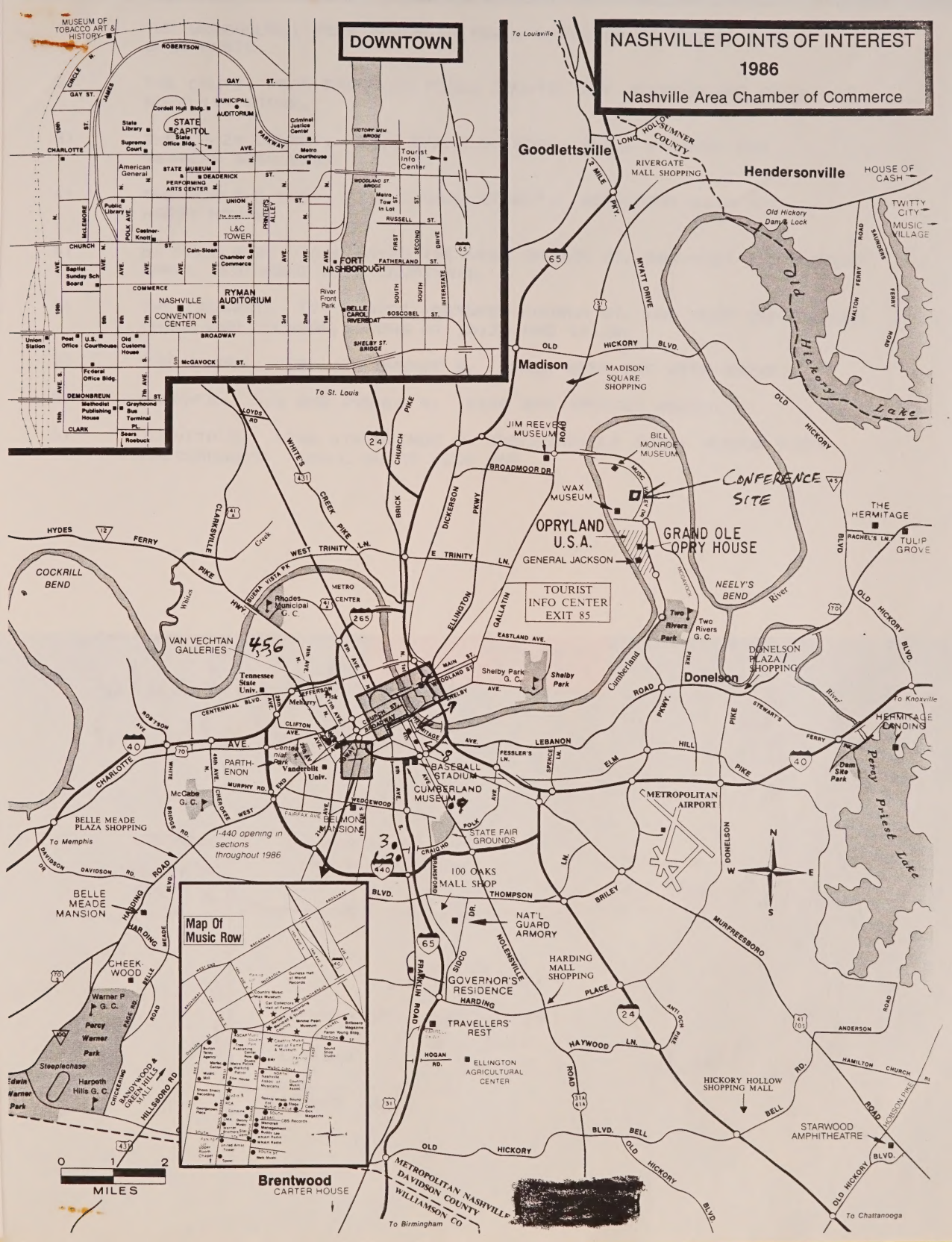
It is our intent that this document be presented to the district for consideration at the Fall, 1986 District Conference. The Chair requests that the lay and clergy delegates seek the input of their local churches and send such input the the Chair **NO LATER THAN** July 1, 1986. In turn, the chair will synthesize the input, and return to the churches the revised document no later than September 1, in order for local input again, prior to (hopefully) adoption by the District Conference in the Fall.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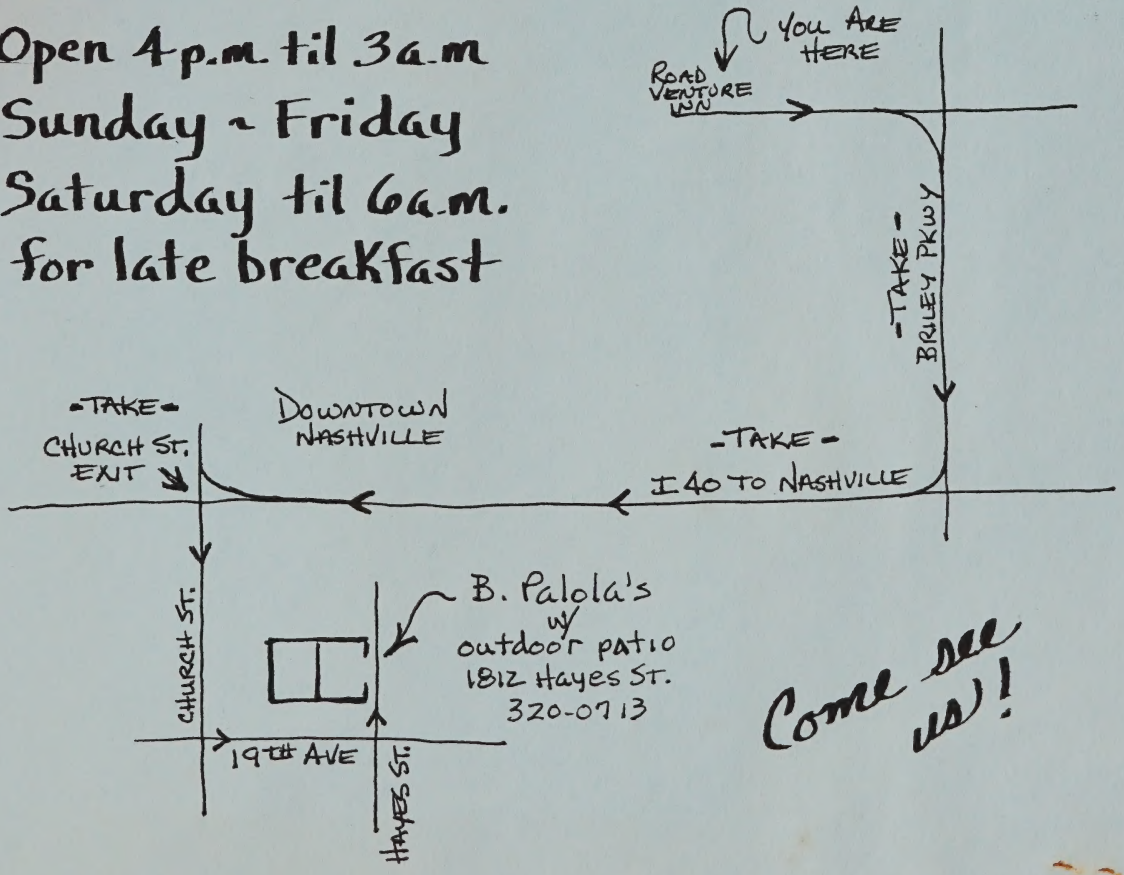

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Thursday, April 24

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Friday, April 25

9 AM - 12 Noon	District Committee meets--MCC Nashville building
1 PM - 4 PM	Board of Home Missions meeting--MCC Nashville building
5 PM -	Registration--Road Venture Inn, 2600 Music Valley Dr.
8 PM -	Entertainment provided by MCC Nashville--Road Venture Inn

Saturday, April 26 All events will be at Road Venture Inn

9 AM - 10 AM	Opening Worship Service--led by Mary Moore, DC.
10:30 AM - 1 PM	Business meeting
1 PM - 2 PM	Lunch (on your own)
2:30 PM - 5 PM	1. Vocabularies of Faith (choice of one) 2. Support Groups (clergy, Deacons, Board, etc) 3. GLAD Visionary group
6:30 PM - 7 PM	Gathering for dinner
7 PM - 8 PM	Banquet/Procession of Banners/Awards presentations
8 PM - 9 PM	Guest speaker--The Rev. Elder Troy Perry, Founder, UFMCC
9 PM - 11 PM	Sing-a-long

Sunday, April 27 All events will be at MCC Nashville, 131 15th Avenue North

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	Continental breakfast
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Worship Service--Rev. Troy Perry preaching
7 PM	MCC Nashville Worship Service

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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES
FOR
GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT
OF THE UNIVERSAL FELLOWSHIP OF METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCHES

ARTICLE I. Name and Boundaries

A. The name of this body shall be the the Gulf Lower Atlantic District of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. The Gulf Lower Atlantic District hereinafter called "the District" exists under the provisions of the by-laws of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, hereinafter called "the Fellowship." The by-laws of the Fellowship shall govern these Standard Operating Procedures and all actions taken by the District or its officers.

B. The District shall be the states of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Action of the General Conference of the Fellowship or the General Council of the Fellowship affecting the boundaries of this District shall automatically amend this section without specific District action.

ARTICLE II. Purpose

A. The purpose of this District as defined by the Fellowship by-laws is Christian fellowship, mutual cooperation, to enable and empower Christian ministry within our jurisdiction through

the member congregations and bodies, and other objectives as set forth in those by-laws.

ARTICLE III. Doctrine, Sacraments, and Rites

A. The doctrine, sacraments, and rites of this District shall be those of the Fellowship as stated in the Fellowship by-laws (Article II B).

ARTICLE IV. Ministry

A. This District affirms the universal priesthood of all believers (I Peter 2:5-10). All members of the Church are called by God to a ministry of the Gospel of Christ in the Church and in the world.

B. This District recognizes the exclusive right of the Fellowship to determine all matters pertaining to the credentialing of professional Christian clergy.

C. Student Clergy is the office defined in the Fellowship by-laws with appointment and discipline as outlined therein (Article IV B 2).

D. Deacon is the office defined in the Fellowship by-laws with appointment and discipline as outlined therein (Article IV A 2).

E. It is the desire of this District, in the interest of ecumenical cooperation, to accept clergy and laity from other denominations as guests and guest speakers when the occasion shall be deemed appropriate.

ARTICLE V. Government and Officers

The government of this District is vested in its District Conference which exerts the right to control all of its affairs subject

to these Standard Operating Procedures and the by-laws of the Fellowship.

A. Church Leadership Committee

1. The Church Leadership Committee's purpose is to act in an advisory capacity on spiritual and religious matters to the District Committee.
2. The Church Leadership Committee shall be composed of one (1) religious leader (either minister or worship coordinator) from each church.
3. The chief items that this committee will address/discuss will be to hear reports from the churches and clergy. It shall recommend worship coordinators and make other recommendations relative to the spiritual (not administrative) nature of the church.
4. The Church Leadership Committee shall meet immediately (not more than one week) prior to each District Conference in the city where the District Conference is to be held.
5. When possible, District officers will meet with the Church Leadership Committee.

B. The District Committee is that body elected by the District Conference to carry on the administrative affairs of the District in an orderly manner between District Conferences. All actions of the District Committee must be reported to and approved by the District Conference except where specifically provided in these Standard Operating Procedures or Fellowship By-Laws.

1. This Committee shall consist of the District Coordinator, Assistant District Coordinator, District Clerk, District Treasurer, Lay Representative of the District, two representatives elected from the Clergy House, and one representative elected from the Lay House. One lay and one clergy alternate shall be elected at the same time. Members of the District Committee must be members in good standing within the Fellowship, of obvious spiritual quality and leadership, who are mature and have sound judgment and a proven record of accomplishment. Their term of office shall be two (2) years, except that of the District Coordinator who shall have a term of four (4) years.
2. The representatives and alternates from the Clergy House shall be elected by a majority of Clergy House to a two (2) year term at the autumn District Conference in even numbered years. A representative and alternate from the Lay House shall be elected by a majority of the Lay House to a two (2) year term at the autumn District Conference in even numbered years.
3. It is the responsibility of the District Committee to propose a budget to the District Conference each year and to implement such a budget when adopted: to establish a procedure for formulating and distributing a tentative agenda to be mailed to all delegates, District officers, and congregations at least thirty (30) days prior to the Conference; and to establish and make appointments to District committees and task forces; to carry out the directives of

the District Conference and of the General Conference as appropriate. It is also the responsibility fo the District Committee to act upon petitions for commissioning and chartering based upon recommendations by the Church Leadership Committee according to the procedures established by the District Conference. The District Committee will name the Board(s) of Trustees of any property acquired by the District.

B. The officers of the District shall be a District Coordinator, an Assistant District Coordinator, a District Clerk, a District Treasurer, and a District Lay Representative and a Clergy Representative.

1. District Coordinator

a. The District Coordinator shall be elected to a four year term at the autumn District Conference in odd numbered years. The District Coordinator will also serve as a member of the General Council of the Fellowship.

b. It shall be the duty fo the District Coordinator to provide spiritual direction and guidance; to act as Moderator at all District Conferences and meetings; to represent the General Council within the District; to coordinate and administer the work of the District in achieving its purposes; and to assure, together with the District Committee, that every church within the District is supplied with a pastor or other pastoral leadership. It shall be the right and duty of the District Coordinator, or any representative whom the District Coordinator may delegate, to visit all churches

within the District at least once a year. The District Coordinator shall also serve as the chair of the District Committee.

2. Assistant District Coordinator
   a. An Assistant District Coordinator shall be elected to a two year term at the autumn District Conference in odd numbered years.
   b. The Assistant District Coordinator assumes the chair at meetings of the District Conference or District Committee in the absence of the District Coordinator or at the District Coordinator's request. The Assistant District Coordinator shall perform other duties as deemed appropriate by the District Coordinator and/or the District Committee.
   c. Additional persons (as many as are deemed necessary) may be appointed as Assistant District Coordinators with the approval of the District Committee.
3. District Clerk
   a. The District Clerk shall be elected to a two year term at the autumn District Conference in even numbered years.
   b. The District Clerk shall be responsible for the recording of the minutes of the District business meetings, for maintaining current lists of district committees and mailing lists, for keeping orderly files of District records and pertinent materials including District statistical information.

4. District Treasurer

   a. The District Treasurer shall be elected to a two year term at the autumn District Confernece in even numbered years.

   b. The District Treasurer shall be responsible for the receipt and safekeeping of all funds of the District, to disburse funds as directed by the District Committee and in accordance with the budget adopted by the District Conference. The District Treasurer shall be responsible for keeping accurate books of all accounts payable and accounts receivable and to prepare a monthly and quarterly statement sent to members of the District Committee, a copy of which shall be sent to all district congregations, clergy, lay delegates, District officers, and the General Council. The District Treasurer shall act as moderator of the District Finance Committee and shall present a financial report at each District Conference.

5. District Lay Representative

   a. The Lay Representative of the GLAD District shall be elected for a two (2) year term by the lay delegates present at the autumn District Conference in even numbered years. S/he must be a member in good standing within the District during his/her term of office. A separate election for the Alternate Lay Representative will then be held at the same conference.

   b. The District Lay Representative shall serve as the elected representative to the UFMCC Commission on the

Laity. The responsibilities of the Lay Representative shall include educating and informing the laity on the function and activities of lay persons within this District by speaking/preaching, visiting, distributing printed materials, acting as an advocate for the interests of the District's laity, and serving as a member of the District Committee.

C. All District officers and staff must be members in good standing within the District during their term of office.

D. No District officer may hold more than one District office at any one time.

E. All District officers shall submit written report on the fulfillment of their duties to the business meeting at the autumn District Conference.

F. The District affirms the position of District representatives to the Fellowship Commission of Faith, Fellowship, and Order.

1. The District shall elect one lay and one clergy representative and their alternates for two (2) year terms at the District Conference business meeting immediately following General Conference. S/he must be a member in good standing within the District during her/his term of office.
2. Representatives shall attend Commission meetings whenever possible, present FFO workshops at District meetings when workshops are available, and serve this District as required by the Commission.

G. The District affirms the position of District Representatives to the Elders Nominating Committee.

1. The District shall elect one Lay and one Clergy representative and their alternates at the business meeting immediately prior to General Conference for terms expiring at the end of the election of the Elders.
2. Prior to General Conference, representatives shall collect input from District congregations on possible nominees for the Board of Elders.

H. Vacancies

1. If a vacancy occurs in the office of District Coordinator, the Assistant District Coordinator will serve as Acting District Coordinator until the next District Conference at which time an election shall be held to fill the unexpired term.
2. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Assistant District Coordinator, the District Committee shall appoint an interim Assistant District Coordinator to serve until the next District Conference at which time an election shall be held to fill the unexpired term.
3. If a vacancy occurs in the office of District Clerk, the District Committee shall appoint an interim District Clerk to serve until the next regularly scheduled District Conference at which time a person shall be elected to fill the remainder of the regular term of office.

4. If a vacancy occurs in the office of District Treasurer, the District Committee shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next regularly scheduled District Conference at which time a person shall be elected to fill the remainder of the regular term of office.
5. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Lay Representative of the District, the person who is the Alternate Lay Representative shall fill the remainder of the term. An Alternate Lay Representative will be elected at the next District Conference. Should both the position of representative and alternate be vacant, the District Committee shall appoint Lay/Clergy Representatives. The appointments shall stand for confirmation at the next District Conference.
6. If a vacancy occurs in the position of Representative to FFO, the alternate Lay or Clergy Representative shall be elected at the next business meeting. Should both the position of representative and alternate be vacant, the District Committee shall appoint Lay/Clergy Representatives. The appointments shall stand for confirmation at the next District Conference.
7. If a vacancy occurs in the position of Representative to the Eleders Nominating Committee, Alternate Lay/Clergy Representatives shall fill the remainder of the term.
8. If a vacancy occurs on the District Committee, in the position of Clergy representatives or Lay representatives, the alternate clergy or lay representatives shall fill the

remainder of the term. A new alternate, as appropriate, shall be elected at the next District Conference. Should both the position of representative and alternate be vacant, the District Committee shall appoint Lay/Clergy representatives. The appointments shall stand for confirmation at the next District Conference.

ARTICLE VI. Meetings

A. The District Conference shall be held twice a year, one in the spring and one in the autumn. The spring conference shall be primarily for fellowship and spiritual renewal. The autumn conference shall also include elections and business.

B. The date and place of the spring conference shall be determined at the previous spring conference. The date and place of the autumn conference shall be determined at the previous autumn conference.

C. Special District conferences may be called as specified in the By-laws of the Fellowship. The call of such a conference shall specify the date and place of the meeting and the subject(s) to be considered. It shall be the responsibility of the District Clerk to provide thirty (30) days written notice of such a call to all voting members of the District Conference. Only business specified in the call of the meeting shall be considered.

D. A District Conference quorum shall consist of no less than fifty-five (55) percent of all eligible clergy and fifty-five (55) percent of all eligible lay delegates of the District.

E. The program and agenda for all District Conferences must be approved by the District Committee 30 days prior to the conference.

F. Rules of procedure at a District Conference business meeting shall be those of the most recent General Conference of the Fellowship. It shall be the perogative of the moderator unless overruled by a majority vote of the eligible voting delegates to permit persons to speak to an issue even if they are not elected representatives of the District church bodies or Fellowship clergy affiliated with the District.

G. The District Coordinator shall have the responsibility of providing reasonable opportunity for the introduction of new business from the floor except at a Special District Conference.

H. The budget of the District must be approved by the District Finance Committee not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the District Conference and distributed to all conference registrants prior to the conference business meeting.

I. All Fellowship clergy who are members of local church bodies in the District shall be entitled to speak and to vote. All District officers have a voice and a vote in their respective houses. Each chartered or commissioned church shall be entitled to the number of voting delegates according to the By-laws of the Fellowship and member of the District Committee shall have a voice and vote in their respective houses.

J. Lay members of the Fellowship shall be eligible for election to any office of the District in accordance with the Fellowship By-laws and District SOPs with the exception of the clergy

representative to the District Committee.

K. The costs of a District Conference shall be borne by the District which may recoup any or all of these costs through a registration fee. The District will pay the registration costs, housing, transportation, and per diem of its officers.

L. With the exception of the Sunday worship service, all offerings shall be collected immediately by the District Treasurer and shall be considered District funds. Profits realized through the sales of books and/or items by any congregation belong to the congregation offering the item(s).

M. All conference materials, agendas, budgets, reports, etc., shall be mailed to all conference registrants (including lay delegates and clergy) who register one month or more prior to the conference. The cost of this mailing shall be included in the registration fee.

ARTICLE VII. FINANCES

A. The District Finance Committee shall consist of the District Coordinator, the District Treasurer, and three members appointed by the District Coordinator and affirmed by the District Committee. These members shall be members in good standing in the District and shall stand for confirmation at the next District Conference. The District Treasurer shall act as the Moderator of the District Finance Committee. The District Finance Committee shall be responsible in all financial areas to the District Conference.

B. The District Finance Committee shall establish and administer Standard Operating Procedures for the disbursement of all

District funds as directed by the District Conference. These procedures shall include specific directives to all signatory parties.

C. Each congregation is required to contribute on a monthly basis a minimum of five (5) percent of all collected funds, except recognized designated funds, to the District to help expand Christian outreach and defray District administrative costs.

D. When attending official functions, housing costs, per diem, and travel costs of the District Coordinator, the Assistant District Coordinator, or other persons officially representing the District shall be paid on the basis of either actual cost of plane, train, bus, or mileage at the current IRS business mileage rate or that reasonable amount approved through the budgeting process of the District. Such costs shall be reimbursed only if approved in advance by the District Conference or by the District Committee.

ARTICLE VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Permanent District files shall be maintained in the custody of the District Coordinator.

B. The District Coordinator shall appoint a Parliamentarian for each District business session.

C. Discipline for District officers shall be as defined in the By-laws of the Fellowship.

D. It is the policy of this District, whenever possible, to maintain a parity of clergy and laity, with geographic representation inclusive of differently abled, race and gender on committees, task forces, and working groups.

ARTICLE IX. APPROVAL AND AMENDMENTS OF THESE POWERS

A. These Standard Operating Procedures shall come into effect when they are adopted by the District Conference on an interim basis and finalized when ratified by the General Council. Two-thirds of the voting clergy and two-thirds of the voting laity shall be necessary to adopt these Standard Operating Procedures.

B. These Standard Operating Procedures may be amended or repealed on an article-by-article basis at any duly convened meeting of the District Conference. They shall be proposed in writing and distributed to all voting delegates at least 30 days prior to the District Conference by any District Officer, any licensed or ordained member of the clergy, any lay delegate, or the Board of any local church group. To be adopted, any amendment or change to these procedures must be approved by two-thirds of the voting clergy and two-thirds fo the voting laity. Amendments become effective when ratified by the General Council.

Gulf Lower Atlantic District
UFMCC POB 66101, Birmingham, AL 35210

April 22, 1986

BUSINESS AGENDA: (Tentative, Spring, 86)

Opening Prayer: Papa John Hose
Call to Order 10:35-38
Roll Call: 10:38-10:45
Approval of Agenda: 10:45-50
BoHM Report: 10:50-11:05
District Conference Minutes: 11:05-11:15
District Committee Report: 11:15-11:28
Treasurer's Report: 11:28-11:35
COL Report: 11:35-40

OLD BUSINESS: Asheville; 11:40-42
SOP's (first reading); 11:42-11:52
Standards (first reading); 11:52-12:04
Fall Conference Site (tentatively Columbia...); 12:04-12:06

NEW BUSINESS: Election of District Treasurer; 12:06-12:20
Church Reports (2 mins. each--36 mins.); 12:20-12:56
Leadership Retreat; 12:56-1:00

**Items presented for agenda times after March 1st deadline:
AIDS VIGIL info
COL resolution
liability insurance for pastors.

Need to do Boundless Sunday
Ameristar Sunday

Leadership Retreat 9/11-13
Title Info on site 5/9/86
Personality Profile
Min. Clergy Training
Pastors/Spouses
BOD - Evaluation of Pastors
Pastors/Clergy

AIDS VIGIL - 9/5-6-7 - 50 hrs of prayer
VIDEO TAPE - LETTERS
FUND RAISER - SR. PROM - The way you always wished it could have been

22 members - attdc 16-27

12 Days of Xmas
Do not Fear, Only Believe - 6 wk study
Easter Sunrise at cruise grounds
AIDS seminar
Deacon's pantry
Deacon's closet - (women's? lesbian's clothing
Mobile AIDS FUND
TV appearance.
1st ANNV. & Papa John
zucchini Capers
Leaders in Day Pride 1986 in Mobile
Rap - Hsg "Rules, Roles, & Relationships" abt 10-18
Bible Study
Luth Church - ? Luds - Pastor upheld us and voted to Keep us.

anything else?

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GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Date: 9 November 85

Location: Park Road Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC

Time: 9:45am -12:00noon and 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Representatives present:

Church	Clergy	Worship Coordinator	Laity
Atlanta (AS)		Byron Hilbun	Loyal Charles
Atlanta (BR)	Rev. B Hill		Richard George
Birmingham		Mary Moore	Larry Meek
Charlotte (MC)	Rev. L Guerra		Arlene Robbins
Charlotte (NL)	Rev. A Fleschner		Linda Davis
Columbia			Bob Harmon
Greensboro		Christine Oscar	Mary Allen Watson
Greenville		Dr. Charles Lippy	Leroy Lawhorn
Hickory		Nancy Campbell	Micki May
Jackson		Kathy Switzer	Sue Dabbs
Knoxville	Rev. B Galloway		Brian Hingerty
Memphis	Rev S Quesnel		Joey Brown
Mobile	Rev M Regona		Ken Jones
Montgomery			Nancy Moody
Nashville	Rev P Tucker		T J Burnham
	Rev J Pierce		
Raleigh	Rev J Norris		Vicki Landes
Tri-Cities			Dale Walp

MOTION: The Board of Home Missions Report be approved.
MOVED: Tucker
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Approve September District Conference minutes.
MOVED: George
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Move to adopt agenda
MOVED: Tucker
SECOND: George
AMENDMENT: Move the item "Budget Committee Proposal" down between "Election of Officers" and "Recommendations Concerning Standards/SOP's". FAILED
AMENDMENT: Limit time of discussion on items to: 2 people speaking for item and 2 people speaking against.
Friendly Amendment: Move that the discussion be limited to time and not to number of people with each person allowed 2 minutes to speak. Amendment accepted by maker of original motion. FAILED (10 Against Lay 6 For Lay Fails in this house)
AMENDMENT: Add to agenda to recommend setting the next meeting time. Approved
AMENDMENT: Propose a name change for the SAD District. Approved
VOTE: Agenda approved.

MOTION: Approve the District Coordinator's Report
MOVED: Hill
SECOND: George
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Accept Assistant District Coordinator's Reports
MOVED: George
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Approve Treasurer's Report
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: Watson
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: At every District Conference the Treasurer's Report be in written form and be inclusive of financial information within 30 to 45 days of the close of the preceding month.
MOVED: Harmon
SECOND: Tucker
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: To adopt the Proposed Budget for 1986
MOVED: Burnham
SECOND: George
DISCUSSION: Pierce recommended that money be added in the budget for on-going fellowship work in the district such as FFO and the Commission on Laity. She recommended that an item be identified for travel and suggested the $100.00 item now set to go to the money market account.
Friendly Amendment: Delete the item transfer to money market account and change that to Funding for UFMCC District Representatives. Amendment accepted.
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: To consider the options for the $6,000 in the money market account
MOVED: Tucker
SECOND: Robbins
DISCUSSION: It was recommended that the District continue to provide the subsidy of $300 per month for Memphis until the next District Conference or until Memphis is financially autonomous whichever comes first. This was accepted as a motion.
VOTE: Passed

MOTION: Subsidize the District Coordinator's salary if needed from the $6,000 money market account at the rate of $150 per month until the next budget.
MOVED: Fleschner
SECOND: Hill
Friendly Amendment: The subsidy will be taken from the budget first and from the money market account if needed. Accepted.
VOTE: Passed

MOTION: The District Conference recommend that each church hold one fund raiser per year with money going to the District Treasury.
MOVED: Watson
SECOND: Quesnel
VOTE: Failed in the clergy house.

MOTION: Give the District Committee the power to use the money in the money market account in case of emergency or for support.
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Passed

MOTION: Direct that the District Committee draw up a 1987 Budget that is unified. (one budget)
MOVED: Galloway
SECOND: George
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: The District Conference to the best of its ability be self-supporting except for regular host church expenses and that all church offerings go to the District except that offering at that church's regularly scheduled meeting time and that the Registration proceeds go to the District.
MOVED: Hill
SECOND: Norris
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: That the elected officers from the GLAD District be the GLAD District Committee. Those officers will include the District Coordinator, Assistant District Coordinator, Treasurer, Clerk, Lay Representative.
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: George
AMENDMENT: Elect a Clergy Representative who will be a member of the District Committee. Amendment passed.
VOTE: Approved unanimously

Nominations for District Coordinator were open from the floor. No nominations were made.
MOTION: Close nominations
MOVED: George
SECOND: Quesnel
VOTE: Approved

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

District Coordinator
Nominees: Mary Moore
T J Burnham
Loyal Charles (declined)
Rev. Joseph Gilbert
Elected: Mary Moore

Assistant District Coordinator
Nominees: Tom Karl
Rev. Bob Galloway
Elected: Rev. Bob Galloway
No nominations from the floor

District Treasurer
Nominees: T J Burnham
Dennis Luft
Elected: T J Burnham
No nominations from the floor

District Clerk
Nominees: J. Allen Kelderman — Elected: Nancy Gunn
Jaan Sturgis
Nancy Gunn (from the floor)

District Lay Representative
Nominees: Loyal Charles — Elected: Loyal Charles
Wayne Lindsey
Bob Harmon (from the floor)

District Clergy Representative
Nominees from the floor:
Rev. Janet Pierce — Elected: Rev. Janet Pierce
Rev. Paul Tucker

FFO Lay Representative
Nominees from the floor:
Ken Jones — Elected: Arlene Robbins
Arlene Robbins
Wayne Lindsey

FFO Lay Alternate
Nominees from the floor:
Wayne Lindsey — Elected: Wayne Lindsey
Janelle Lavelle

FFO Clergy Representative
Nominees from the floor:
Rev. Bruce Hill — Elected: Rev. Bruce Hill

FFO CLergy Alternate
Nominees from the floor:
Kathy Switzer — Elected: Kathy Switzer
Christine Oscar

Alternate Lay Representative
Nominees from the floor:
Mary Allen Watson — Elected: Mary Allen Watson

END OF ELECTION

There is a need to identify Third World leaders in our district. Rev. Bruce Hill will try to coordinate making initial contacts.

MOTION: Accept MCC Nashville's offer to host the Spring Conference at a retreat center near Chattanooga, Tn
MOVED: Norris
SECOND: Hill
VOTE: Approved unanimously

MOTION: Set the conference dates for April and October
MOVED: Fleschner
SECOND: Hill
Friendly Amendment: Dates be the 1st weekend in October and the last weekend in April. Amendment not accepted.
Amendment: Accept the 2nd weekend in October and the last in April. Failed
AMENDMENT: The District Conference be the last weekend in April and the first weekend in November. Accepted
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: The conference be held in a centralized location for one meeting and move about in the district for the other meeting.
MOVED: George
SECOND: Tucker
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: Moved to accept St. Jude's MCC in Columbia, SC offer to host a district conference at a retreat center near Columbia.
MOVED: Fleschner
SECOND: Lippy
Friendly Amendment: Accept as tentative offer until learn of details in April at the district conference. Accepted
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: Complete the Standards Committee that will work on guidelines "Church Status".
MOVED: Tucker
SECOND: Robbins
VOTE: Approved
Two volunteers: John Coker, Kathy Switzer; 1 alternate: Bob Harmon

MOTION: Elect an SOP Committee to study the SOP's and bring recommendations to the Spring Conference
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: Fleschner
VOTE: Approved
Nominees: Linda Davis, Nancy Moody, Jaan Sturgis, Christine Oscar and Rev Steve Quesnel

MOTION: Recommend that at the Spring 1987 Conference that a Nominations Committee be formed for those elections in Nov, 1987
MOVED: Pierce
SECOND: Charles
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: Small church groups submit written standard financial statements to District each month. MOTION WITHDRAWN

MOTION: Review the financial status of all small church groups not chartered and have the obligations they have in writing to include their rent, electriciaty, phone, water, etc. NO SECOND TO MOTION

MOTION: The SOP Committee be instructed to look at the issue regarding small church groups and their financial obligations and report to the spring conference.
MOVED: George
SECOND: Moody
Friendly Amendment: Move this to the Standards Committee not the SOP Committee. Amendment accepted.
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: The District Coordinator will contact the Fellowship office who contact the Fellowship Attorney and let the attorney know that the District has the intent to contact the utility companies, and find out what the attorney would recommend to the District.
MOVED: Harmon
SECOND: George
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: The District Coordinator may appoint Assistant District Coordinators and this is to be ratified by the District Committee.
MOVED: Hill
SECOND: Guerra
VOTE: Approved

MOTION: To adjourn the FALL DISTRICT CONFERENCE
MOVED: George
SECOND: Charles
VOTE: Approved
THIS IS YOUR COPY OF THE MINUTES FOR THE APRIL CONFERENCE.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING THEM WITH YOU!!!

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT-UFMCC

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

APRIL CONFERENCE

NASHVILLE TENNESSEE

APRIL 25-27 1986

submitted by; Dennis Luft
Acting Treasurer

Dennis Luft

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT UFMCC
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 11-1-85 AND ENDING 4-23-86

TITHE INCOME	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	TOTAL	AVERAGE
Alabama								$ 375.69	$ 62.62
Birmingham	$ 53.37	$ 62.30	$ 72.56	$ 54.73	$ 65.83	$ 66.90		158.95	26.49
Mobile	19.54	35.96	33.70	23.27	20.13	26.35		199.49	33.25
Montgomery	26.23	34.38	38.84	39.95	27.20	32.89			
Georgia								512.71	85.45
Atlanta - All Saints	68.45	76.51	100.11	68.48	79.18	119.98			
Atlanta - Blessed Redeemer	58.40	39.75	63.77	104.94	102.01	162.92		531.79	88.63
Mississippi								165.67	27.61
Jackson	15.19	17.40	29.28	31.08	32.35	40.37			
North Carolina								435.42	72.57
Charlotte - MCC Charlotte	73.01	48.71	88.38	83.32	65.70	76.30		613.57	102.26
Charlotte - New Life	74.82	88.40	104.26	74.31	73.92	197.86		513.75	85.63
Greensboro	68.86	67.68	84.46	78.41	99.92	114.42		***	***
Hickory	N/A	***	***	***	***	***		1,048.96	174.83
Raleigh	100.82	121.48	295.71	162.06	158.82	210.07			
South Carolina								313.06	52.18
Charleston	49.37	54.29	62.12	47.18	45.40	54.70		40.78	***
Columbia	40.78	***	***	***	***	***		70.51	11.75
Greenville	9.00	6.87	8.93	10.14	10.18	25.39			
Tennessee								284.74	47.46
Knoxville	33.23	44.85	47.78	38.75	42.21	77.92		78.79	N/A
Memphis	29.63	27.99	21.17	N/A	N/A	N/A		589.11	98.19
Nashville	92.26	100.21	147.83	69.22	77.26	102.33		71.51	11.92
Tri-Cities	12.20	7.02	12.37	17.15	7.28	15.49		$6,004.50	$ 980.84
Subtotal Tithe Income	$ 825.16	$ 833.80	$1,211.27	$ 902.99	$ 907.39	$1,323.89			
Miscellaneous Income									
Money Market Interest		$ 31.51	$ 29.78	$ 30.15	$ 24.36	$ 24.40	$ 24.12	$ 164.32	
Refund of deposit for November conference		300.00						300.00	
Saturday a.m. service offering-Nov. conference		167.50						167.50	
November conference profit		73.59						73.59	
Donations received for conference travel aid		117.00						117.00	
Subtotal									
Miscellaneous Income	$	$ 689.60	$ 29.78	$ 30.15	$ 24.36	$ 24.40	$ 24.12	$ 822.41	
TOTAL INCOME	$ 825.16	$1,523.40	$1,241.05	$ 933.14	$ 931.75	$1,348.29	$ 24.12	$6,826.91	

***Not Reported as of Statement Date

NOTE: CHURCH TITHES HAVE BEEN REPORTED FOR MONTH DUE REGARDLESS OF DATE ACTUALLY RECEIVED.

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT UFMCC
STATEMENT OF EXPENSES
FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 11-1-85 AND ENDING 4-23-86

BUDGETED EXPENSES	BUDGETED AMOUNT	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	TOTAL
Salary	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	$	$2,000.00
Salary Supplement/ Expense Allowance	150.00*	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	900.00
D.C. and A.D.C. District Travel	150.00	25.00	---	75.00	172.79	25.00		297.79
Communications:	125.00							
Telephone		84.38	36.48	76.61	69.92	116.07	95.33	478.79
Postage		14.40	34.92	44.00	5.79	44.00	7.09	150.20
Office Supplies		0.00	0.00	40.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.76
Photocopying Charges		0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	62.06	25.00	137.06
Subtotal		98.78	71.40	186.37	100.71	222.13	127.42	806.81
General Council & District Conference Expenses - D.C.	75.00	47.58				332.59		380.17
						198.00		198.00
District Representatives (FFO,COL)	100.00							
Subtotal Budgeted Expenses	$ 850.00*	$ 721.36	$ 621.40	$ 811.37	$ 823.50	$1,327.72	$ 277.42	$4,582.77
NON-BUDGETED EXPENSES								500.00
Travel Assistance Sam Edelman		500.00						900.00
Aid to Memphis		300.00	300.00	300.00				300.00
District -Employer FICA							85.80	85.80
Subtotal Non-Budgeted Expenses		$ 800.00	$ 300.00	$ 300.00			$ 85.80	$1,485.80
Total Expenses		$1,521.36	$ 921.40	$1,111.37	$ 823.50	$1,327.72	$ 363.22	$6,068.57

*Salary supplement/expense allowance is recognized as a monthly drain on the money market account. It is not expected that this expenditure be met by the regular monthly church tithe income. Monthly budget including this item is $1,000.00.

GULF LOWER ATLANTIC DISTRICT UFMCC
SUMMARY COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 11-1-85 AND ENDING 4-23-86

	NOVEMBER 1, 1985	INCOME FOR PERIOD	EXPENSES FOR PERIOD	APRIL 23, 1986
Checking	$ 386.28	$6,499.67	$5,268.57	$1,617.38
Receivable	0.00	162.92	0.00	162.92
Money Market	6.000.00	164.32	800.00	5,364.32
	$6,386.28	$6,826.91	$6,068.57	$7,144.62
Increase in Financial Position for Period				$ 758.34

To: Gulf Lower Atlantic District Conference
From: Loyal B. Charles, Lay Representative
Re: Commission on Laity Meeting

I attended the Commission on Laity meeting in Los Angeles the last weekend of February with a sense of apprehension and excitement. I was apprehensive because I didn't know quite what to expect. I was excited about all of the possibilties. Some of my fears were realized, most were not and I have a whole new concept of what a task we really have before us.

Most of the reps present were incumbent to the Commission and several had been working together for several years. Most of their time over the past six years has been spent on GSS, and the COL is now going about all of the other areas that need to be addressed. This right off leads to one of the biggest areas of concern - what really is the mission of the COL? We never really got to that - we spent most of our time "putting out fires" so to speak. This is probably the biggest area that we must really work on in order to go about then accomplishing our mission. In the meantime the tasks remain to be done by us, until we can determine a better way to do them. We acted upon several proposals.

Concerning AIDS, we adopted a four part resolution and I am asking that this district consider this resolution as well. (Proposed resolution attached.) We sent a resolution to General Council to urging that a Fellowship-wide response to the disease be formulated. (Approved resolution attached for your information.) We reallocated 10% of our COL budget for this year as a pledge of committed support to such an AIDS ministry. And as a crucial part of this ministry, that we encourage the development of a workshop to be done with the local churches about loneliness as an outgrowth of this disease.

Concerning the COL and Clergy, the COL has been invited to prepare the format for Samaritan's Orientation to MCC pastoring section regarding lay involvement and issues. The COL endorsed the Southwest distrist's proposal that the Board of Elders appoint a lay person/persons to the Clergy Credentials and Concerns Committee. (Proposed resolution attached.)

We dealt with a re-assessment of projects that were undertaken in Sacramento. We decided that the Pre-General Confernce Lay Conference in Miami be withdrawn, we postponed more discussion on the status of student clergy in lay offices. We also reconfirmed our committment to the need for additional simultaneous translation equipment and the need for the reprinting of The Whole Church Body Handbook.

Additionallly, it was a significant accomplishment that the commission members had the opportunity to share with each other what is going on in the other districts as we serve in

the capacity of Lay Rep. It was a whole new ball game for the incumbant members to deal with issues without always having to refer to "if GSS passes...". Having that behind us was both a breath of fresh air and a bold awakening. There is so much to be done.

Resolution Proposal 1

Moved that:
1) The Commission on Laity encourages congregations to send their pastoral leader to the San Francisco Clergy Conference, September 15-19. 1986.
2) That each District promote professioal forums/workshops/seminars on AIDS hosted by local churches utilizing community resources.
3) That each district be encouraged to have at least one district conference focus on the AIDS crisis by June 1987.
4) That each local church be encouraged to conduct the "Do Not Fear, Only Believe" six week small group study series.

Resolution Proposal 2

Whereas the purpose of credentialing clergy is to insure their preparedness and call to the vocation of preaching, teaching, and enabling leadership and growth in the body of Christ,

and whereas mutual ministry is important to the growth of the total church body,

and whereas many lay persons have been given educational and administrative gifts and specialized training in the design and review of qualifications for job descriptions,

therefore it is only right and proper that laity who receive the work and talents of these credentialed clergy be involved in that process of their preparation.

Informational Resolution

The Commission on Laity encourages the General Council to establish a fellow-ship wide response to the AIDS crisis including 1)an educational process for our people, and 2) an appropriate pastoral care response program to persons with AIDS. Further, we urge the General Council to designate a member of the Council to coordinate this response.

Deacon Training

Call paper written by dC 3 pp.
Resume
Training Outline
Pastor's Evaluation -
Skills
areas Ministry

Areas
- Hsg & Bible
- Comm.
- Setting altar
- Inches. Lodge.